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FORM 4

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Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

Stock Par

\$0.01 per share

03/16/2015

Value

(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * ALVAREZ IGNACIO | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol | | | | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer | | | | | |
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| | | | | | POPULAR INC [BPOP] | | | | | (Check all applicable) | | | | |
| (Last) | (First) | Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | (Month/D | ay/Year |) | | | | Director | | Owner | | | |
| P O BOX 362708 | | | 03/16/2015 | | | | | _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) PRESIDENT & COO | | | | | | |
| | | 4. If Amendment, Date Original | | | | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check | | | | | | | |
| SAN JUAN, | , PR 00936-2708 | | Filed(Mor | | | 2 | | | Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by 0 | | rson | | | |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | Tabl | e I - Nor | ı-De | rivative | Securi | ties Acq | uired, Disposed of | f, or Beneficial | ly Owned | | | |
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | | Date, if | Code (Instr. 8 | etion 3) | 4. Securi (A) or Di (Instr. 3, | isposed | of (D) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | | |
| Common | | | | Couc | • | Timount | (D) | 11100 | | | | | | |

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of | 2. | 3. Transaction Date | 3A. Deemed | 4. | 5. | 6. Date Exerc | cisable and | 7. Title | and | 8. Price of | 9. Nu |
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| Derivative | Conversion | (Month/Day/Year) | Execution Date, if | Transactio | onNumber | Expiration Date | | Amoun | t of | Derivative | Deriv |
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| (Instr. 3) | Price of | | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Derivative | e | | Securit | ies | (Instr. 5) | Bene |
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| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | | | | Shares | | |

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Officer Other Director 10% Owner

ALVAREZ IGNACIO POBOX 362708 SAN JUAN, PR 00936-2708

PRESIDENT & COO

Signatures

Marie Reyes-Rodriguez, Attorney-in-fact

03/17/2015

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Based on the closing price of the common stock on February 22, 2015, the vesting date.
- Includes 13,508 shares that were held by the Reporting Person and his deceased spouse as community property, and to which the Reporting Person has an undivided interest pending liquidation of the conjugal partnership and estate of the deceased spouse.

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