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| February 10, | 2005 | | | | | | | | | | |
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| 1(b). Form 3 He Reported Form 4 Transactic Reported | oldings Section 17(a | suant to Section 1 a) of the Public U 30(h) of the In | tility Holdin | g Compa | any A | ct of | 1935 or Sectio | n | | | |
| 1. Name and A CARRION | Symbol | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol POPULAR INC [BPOP] | | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer | | | | | |
| (Last) | (First) (M | liddle) 3. Statem | 3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended | | | | (Check all applicable) | | | | |
| | | | | (Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2004 | | | | X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify | | | |
| P O BOX 3 | 62708 | 12/31/2 | | | | | below) below) | | | | |
| | 4. If Ame | 4. If Amendment, Date Original | | | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting | | | | | |
| | | Filed(Mo | Filed(Month/Day/Year) | | | | (check applicable line) | | | | |
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| (City) | (State) (| (Zip) Tab | le I - Non-Deri | ivative Sec | curitie | s Acqu | ired, Disposed of | f, or Beneficia | lly Owned | | |
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) | | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at end of Issuer's | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | | | |
| | | | | Amount | or | Price | Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | | |
| Common Stock Par Value \$6 per share | 12/31/2004 | 12/31/2004 | J <u>(1)</u> | 45 | A | \$ 0 | 1,419,093 | D | Â | | |
| Common Stock Par Value \$6 per share | 12/31/2004 | 12/31/2004 | J <u>(1)</u> | 26 | A | \$ 0 | 1,074 | Ι | Owned by daughter | | |

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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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 Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | | ate | Secur | int of rlying | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. of D Sa B O E I S Fi Is Fi (I |
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| | | | | | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | s | Relationships | | | | | | |
|---|---------|---------------|---------|-------|--|--|--|--|
| | | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | | |
| CARRION JOSE B JR P O BOX 362708 SAN JUAN, PR 00936-270 | | Â | Â | Â | | | | |
| Signatures | | | | | | | | |
| Jose B. Carrion Jr 02/ | 10/2005 | | | | | | | |
| <u>**</u> 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) Acquired under Popular, Inc.'s Dividend Reinvestment Plan in exempt transactions pursuant Rule 16(a)-11 during calendar year 2004. Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space provided is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.