

CARRION RICHARD L
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FORM 5

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ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 CARRION RICHARD L

(Last) (First) (Middle)

POPULAR INC & BANCO
 POPULAR DE,Â 209 MONZ
 RIVERA AVE 3RD FL PURERTO
 RICO

(Street)

HATO REY,Â PRÂ 00918

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 POPULAR INC [BPOP]

3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year)
 12/31/2005

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
 President & Chairman

6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting

(check applicable line)

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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially 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)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock Par Value \$6 per share	12/31/2005	12/31/2005	J ⁽¹⁾	2,821 A \$ 0	1,207,050	D	Â
Common Stock Par Value \$6 per share	12/31/2005	12/31/2005	A ⁽²⁾	942 A \$ 0	1,207,992 ⁽³⁾	D	Â

Common Stock Par Value \$6 per share 12/31/2005 12/31/2005 J⁽¹⁾ 614 A \$ 0 54,038 I by children

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)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. of D Se B O E Is F (I
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
CARRION RICHARD L POPULAR INC & BANCO POPULAR DE 209 MONZ RIVERA AVE 3RD FL PURERTO RICO HATO REY, PR 00918	Â X	Â	Â President & Chairman	Â

Signatures

Richard L. Carrion 02/14/2006
 **Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- * 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 and Stock Purchase Plan in exempt transactions pursuant Rule 16(a)-11 during calendar year 2005.
- (2) Acquired under Banco Popular de Puerto Rico Employees' Stock Ownership Plan in exempt transactions pursuant to Rule 16(b)(3) during calendar year 2005.

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- (3) Amount of total shares directly owned was adjusted to reflect shares acquired during 1996-2001 through a Keogh Plan maintained on behalf of Mr. Carrion that have not been previously reported.

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