POPULAR INC Form 5

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FORM 5

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Transactions Reported

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * REXACH FRANCISCO M JR | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol POPULAR INC [BPOP] | | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer | | | | |
|---|---|--|---|----------------------|---|--|---|--|---|--|--|
| (Last) | (First) (N | (Moi | 3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2006 | | | (Check all applicable) _X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) | | | | | |
| P.O. BOX 362708 | | | | | | | below) | | | | |
| (Street) | | | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) | | | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting | | | | |
| | | | | | | | (check applicable line) | | | | |
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| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | Table I - Non-De | rivative Se | curiti | es Acq | uired, Disposed | l of, or Benefic | cially Owned | | |
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date any (Month/Day/Ye | Code | Acquired Disposed | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | |
| | | | | Amount | | Price | 4) | | | | |
| Common Stock Par Value \$6 per share | 12/31/2006 | 12/31/2006 | J <u>(1)</u> | 5,188 | A | \$0 | 310,154 | D | Â | | |
| Common Stock Par Value \$6 per share | Â | Â | Â | Â | Â | Â | 45,792 | I | As President and Shareholder of Capital Assets, Inc. | | |

Assets, Inc.

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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 | 2. | 3. Transaction Date | 3A. Deemed | 4. | 5. | 6. Date Exerc | cisable and | 7. Title | e and | 8. Price of | |
|-------------|-------------|---------------------|--------------------|-------------|------------|---------------------|-------------|----------|----------|-------------|--|
| Derivative | Conversion | (Month/Day/Year) | Execution Date, if | Transaction | Number | Expiration D | ate | Amou | nt of | Derivative | |
| Security | or Exercise | | any | Code | of | (Month/Day/ | Year) | Under | lying | Security | |
| (Instr. 3) | Price of | | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Derivative | • | | Securi | ties | (Instr. 5) | |
| | Derivative | | | | Securities | | | (Instr. | 3 and 4) | | |
| | Security | | | | Acquired | | | | | | |
| | • | | | | (A) or | | | | | | |
| | | | | | Disposed | | | | | | |
| | | | | | of (D) | | | | | | |
| | | | | | (Instr. 3, | | | | | | |
| | | | | | 4, and 5) | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | Amount | | |
| | | | | | | Date | Expiration | | or | | |
| | | | | | | Exercisable | Date | | Number | | |
| | | | | | | Ziterenducite Butte | Dute | | of | | |
| | | | | | (A) (D) | | | | Shares | | |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|--|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | |

Signatures

Francisco M. Rexach Jr. 02/06/2006

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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 and Stock Purchase Plan in exempt transactions pursuant Rule 16(a)-11 during calendar year 2006.

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