REXACH FRANCISCO M JR

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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Ad REXACH FI	*	_	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol POPULAR INC [BPOP]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
			. ,	(Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction				
			(Month/Day/Year)	X Director 10% Owner			
PO BOX 362708			03/01/2006	Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
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(City)	(State)	(Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative Se	curitie	es Acqu	ired, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)			5. Amount of 6. Securities Ownership Beneficially Form: Director (D) or Following Indirect (I) Reported (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common Stock Par Value \$6 per share	02/07/2006	02/07/2006	W <u>(1)</u>	32,772	A	\$ 0	251,757	D		
Common Stock Par Value \$6 per share	03/01/2006	03/01/2006	J(2)	1,800	A	\$ 0	253,557	D		
Common Stock Par Value \$6 per share	02/07/2006	02/07/2006	W	196,600 (3)	D	\$ 0	0	I	Note (1)	

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Common Stock Par Value \$6 per share

45,792 Ι Note 2 (4)

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	7. Titl Amou Under Securi (Instr.	nt of lying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
• 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
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Signatures

Francisco M. 03/03/2006 Rexach **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 from the Rexach Navas Living Trust in a distribution exempt from the reporting requirements of Section 16.
- (2) Acquired as repayment of loan granted by Mr. Rexach.

Reporting Owners 2

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- (3) Includes 163,828 shares of Rexach Navas Living Trust which were previously reported as being indirectly own by Mr. Rexach.
- (4) As President and Shareholder of Capital Assets with 45,792 shares of Popular Inc.

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