

POPULAR INC  
Form 8-K  
January 31, 2006

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**Washington, D.C. 20549**  
**Form 8-K**  
**CURRENT REPORT**  
**Pursuant to Section 13 OR 15(d) of The Securities Exchange Act of 1934**  
**Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): January 31, 2006**  
**POPULAR, INC.**  
*(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)*

**COMMONWEALTH OF  
PUERTO  
RICO**

**0-13818**

**66-0667416**

*(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)*

*(Commission File  
Number)*

*(IRS Employer Identification  
Number)*

**209 MUNOZ RIVERA AVENUE  
HATO REY, PUERTO RICO**

**00918**

*(Address of principal executive offices)*

*(Zip code)*

**(787) 765-9800**

*(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)*

**NOT APPLICABLE**

*(Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last report)*

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
  - Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure

The executive officers of Popular, Inc. intend to use the materials filed herewith, in whole or in part, in one or more meetings with investors and analysts. A copy of the investor presentation is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

Popular, Inc. does not intend for this Item 7.01 or Exhibit 99.1 to be treated as filed under the Securities Act of 1934, as amended, or incorporated by reference into its filings under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

The following exhibit shall not be deemed to be filed for purposes of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

Exhibit 99.1-Investor Presentation

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**SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

**POPULAR, INC.**

(Registrant)

Date: January 31, 2006

By: **/s/ Ileana Gonzalez**

Ileana Gonzalez

Senior Vice President and Comptroller

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**EXHIBIT INDEX**

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