

POPULAR INC  
Form 8-K  
December 21, 2007

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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):

December 21, 2007

Popular, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Puerto Rico

0-13818

66-0667416

(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

(Commission  
File Number)

(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

209 MUNOZ RIVERA AVE, POPULAR  
CENTER BUILDING, HATO REY , Puerto  
Rico

00918

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:

787-765-9800

Not Applicable

Former name or former address, 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)  
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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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**Item 8.01 Other Events.**

On December 21, 2007 Popular, Inc. (the "Corporation") announced the issuance and sale by Popular North America, Inc., the parent bank holding company of all of its U.S. mainland operations, of \$275 million of 6.85% Senior Notes due in 2012 (the "Notes"). The payment of principal and interest on the Notes will be fully and unconditionally guaranteed by the Corporation. The Notes were sold in the Puerto Rico market. The net proceeds of this offering will be used to repay all of our outstanding commercial paper with varying maturities and to the extent any funds remain, to repay other short-term indebtedness and for general corporate purposes.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Press release dated December 21, 2007.

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**SIGNATURES**

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.

*December 21, 2007*

By: */s/ Ileana Gonzalez*

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*Name: Ileana Gonzalez*

*Title: Senior Vice President and Comptroller*

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<b><u>Exhibit No.</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>
99.1	Press release dated December 21, 2007