Ferre Maria Luisa Form 4 May 08, 2012

FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

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Par Value \$0.01

per share

See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Ferre Maria Luisa Issuer Symbol POPULAR INC [BPOP] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) _X__ Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title P.O. BOX 9066590 05/04/2012 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 Form filed by More than One Reporting SAN JUAN, PR 00906-6590 Person (City) (State) (Zip)

(City)	State) (Zip)	Table I - No	on-Derivat	ive Securi	ties A	cquire	d, Disposed of, o	r Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	(A) or		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock Par Value \$0.01 per share	05/04/2012	05/04/2012	Code V $J_{(1)}$	Amount 6,471	(D)	Price \$ 0	135,950	D	
Common Stock Par Value \$0.01 per share							2,961,647	I	El Dia, Inc.
Common Stock Par Value \$0.01 per share							3,081,082	I	FRG, Inc.
Common Stock							437,401	I	Luis A.

Ferre

Foundation

			(3)
Common Stock Par Value \$0.01 per share	2,970	I	Ranfe, Inc.
8.25% Non-Cumulative Monthly Income Preferred Stock Series B	4,175	I	by husband
Common Stock Par Value \$0.01 per share	22,300	I	by husband

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)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed		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
				of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)						(Instr
			Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
Ferre Maria Luisa P.O. BOX 9066590 SAN JUAN, PR 00906-6590	X							

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Signatures

Marie Reyes Rodriguez, Attorney-in-fact

05/08/2012

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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) Award of Restricted Stock pursuant to Popular, Inc.'s 2004 Omnibus Incentive Plan. The restriction of such restricted stock award lapses upon the retirement of the director.
- (2) FRG, Inc. is 100% owned by Ferre Rangel Family. Ms Ferre is the CEO, President & Director of FRG, Inc.
- (3) Ms. Ferre is the President and a Trustee of Luis A Ferre Foundation.
- (4) Ranfe Inc is 100% owned by Ferre Rangel children.

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