ALVAREZ IGNACIO

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See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * ALVAREZ IGNACIO			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		(Check an appheasie)		
			(Month/Day/Year)	_X_ Director 10% Owner		
P O BOX 362708			01/25/2019	X Officer (give title Other (specify below)		
				CEO & PRESIDENT		
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
SAN IIIAN	DD 00036	2708	Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting		
SAN JUAN, PR 00936-2708				Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	le I - Non-I	Derivative	Secur	ities Acqu	uired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit or(A) or Dis (Instr. 3,	sposed	of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock Par Value \$0.01 per share	01/27/2019		M	11,674	A	(1)	112,655.241 (2)	D	
Common Stock Par Value \$0.01 per share	01/27/2019		F	4,127	D	\$ 53.48	108,528.241	D	
Common Stock Par	01/27/2019		F	1,199	D	\$ 53.48	107,329.241	D	

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Value \$0.01 per share Common

Common Stock Par Value

\$0.01 per share

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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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Share
Restricted Stock Units (4)	\$ 0 (4)	01/25/2019		A	11,674	<u>(5)</u>	(5)	Common Stock Par Value \$0.01 per share	11,674 (<u>4)</u>
Restricted Stock Units	(1)	01/27/2019		M	11,674	<u>(6)</u>	(6)	Common Stock Par Value \$0.01 per share	11,674

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
1 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
ALVAREZ IGNACIO P O BOX 362708	X		CEO & PRESIDENT					
SAN JUAN, PR 00936-2708	71		CLO & TRESIDENT					

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Marie Reyes-Rodriguez, Attorney-in-fact

01/29/2019

**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) Restricted Stock Units convert into an equivalent number of shares of Common Stock.
- (2) Includes 408.921 shares acquired since Mr. Alvarez's last Form 4, pursuant to reinvestment of dividends paid by the Corporation in transactions exempt from Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act.
- (3) Includes 34.822 shares acquired since Mr. Alvarez's last Form 4, pursuant to reinvestment of dividends paid by the Corporation in transactions exempt from Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act.
- (4) Reflects performance-based vesting of performance share units granted to the reporting person on January 27, 2016 and accrued dividend equivalents thereunder converted into restricted stock units ("RSUs"), in each case, subject to continued time-based vesting conditions.
- (5) The underlying RSUs remain subject to continued time-based vesting conditions through January 27, 2019. Upon vesting, restricted stock units are converted into an equivalent number of shares of Common Stock that are distributed to the reporting person.
- On January 25, 2019, 11,674 performance share units granted to the reporting person on January 27, 2016 were converted into restricted stock units upon their performance-based vesting. The restricted stock units remained subject to continued time-based vesting conditions through January 27, 2019.

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