POPULAR INC Form 8-K January 23, 2009

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):

Popular, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

0-13818

(Commission

File Number)

Puerto Rico

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

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

(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code:

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)

[] 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))

66-0667416

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

00918

(Zip Code)

787-765-9800

January 22, 2009

[] Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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On January 22, 2009, Popular, Inc. issued a news release announcing its unaudited operational results for the quarter and year ended December 31, 2008, a copy of which is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K. The information furnished pursuant to this Item 2.02 of this Current Report on Form 8-K, including Exhibit 99.1, shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, nor shall it be incorporated by reference into any of the Corporation's filings under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, unless otherwise expressly stated in such filing.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

99.1 News release dated January 22, 2009

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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.

January 23, 2009

By: Ileana Gonzalez

Name: Ileana Gonzalez Title: Senior Vice President and Comptroller

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Press release dated January 22, 2009