

POPULAR INC
Form 424B2
September 29, 2003

**Pricing Supplement, dated September 24, 2003
to Prospectus dated November 19, 2001**

**Medium-Term Notes, Series 5
Due From Nine Months to 30 Years From Date of Issue**

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| PRINCIPAL AMOUNT | \$10,000,000.00 |
| ORIGINAL ISSUE DATE | September 30, 2003 |
| MATURITY DATE | September 30, 2005 |
| GLOBAL NOTE | Yes |
| INITIAL INTEREST RATE | 2.40% |
| INTEREST RATE BASIS | Fixed |
| INDEX MATURITY | N/A |
| SPREAD | N/A |
| CUSIP | 73317PAE9 |
| INTEREST RATE RESET PERIOD | N/A |
| INTEREST PAYMENT PERIOD | The notes will pay interest on each March 31 and September 30, commencing on March 31, 2004, and at maturity |

The proceeds from the issuance of the Note to which this Pricing Supplement relates will used for:

**general corporate purposes, including investments in, or extensions of credit to, existing and future subsidiaries
repayment of outstanding borrowings.**