FIRST BANCORP /PR/

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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **ALEMAN AURELIO**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(First) (Middle) (Last)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Check all applicable) 10% Owner

P.O. BOX 9146

(Month/Day/Year) 01/24/2006

_X__ Director X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)

COO & Senior EVP

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

SAN JUAN, PR 00908-0146

(Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)

(City)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

(State)

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (T)

Transaction(s)

Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A)

(Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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 Conversion Security or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number of TransactionDerivative Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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| (Instr. 3) | Price of Derivative Security | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | | | | | |
|-------------------|------------------------------------|------------------|------------|---|-----|---------------------|--------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------|
| | | | Code V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount of Number of Shares |
| Option to buy (1) | \$ 12.68 | 01/24/2006 | A | 150,000 | | 01/24/2006 | 01/24/2016 | Common Stock | 150,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|--|
| • 6 | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | |
| ALEMAN AURELIO | | | COO & | | | | |
| P.O. BOX 9146 | X | | Senior | | | | |
| SAN JUAN, PR 00908-0146 | | | EVP | | | | |

Signatures

/s/Aurelio
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**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) Under employee stock option plan

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