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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Burns Robert T

(Last)

(First) (Middle)

Statement

(Month/Day/Year) 05/16/2011

2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

PUTNAM MUNICIPAL OPPORTUNITIES TRUST

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4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Director

X_ Officer

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

ONE POST OFFICE SOUARE

(Street)

(Check all applicable)

Officer

10% Owner _X__ Other

(give title below) (specify below) Vice President and / Chief Legal

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

X Form filed by One Reporting Person

_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

BOSTON. MAÂ 02109

(City) (State) (Zip)

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

(Instr. 4)

Ownership Form: Direct (D)

> (I) (Instr. 5)

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

or Indirect

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

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

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

Conversion or Exercise Price of

5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security:

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

Date **Expiration Title** Exercisable Date

Amount or Number of Shares

Derivative Security Direct (D) or Indirect (I)

(Instr. 5)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Burns Robert T

ONE POST OFFICE SQUARE \hat{A} \hat{A} Vice President and Chief Legal Officer

BOSTON, MAÂ 02109

Signatures

Robert T. Burns 05/18/2011

**Signature of Date

Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

No securities are beneficially owned

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(b)(v).

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