### PUTNAM MUNICIPAL OPPORTUNITIES TRUST

Item 1. Schedule of Investments:

Form N-Q

March 29, 2005

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Putnam Municipal Opportunities Trust
QUARTERLY PORTFOLIO HOLDINGS
1-31-05
Putnam Municipal Opportunities Trust
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The fund's portfolio
January 31, 2005 (Unaudited)
KEY TO ABBREVIATIONS
   AMBAC -- AMBAC Indemnity Corporation
   COP -- Certificate of Participation
   FGIC -- Financial Guaranty Insurance Company
   FNMA Coll. -- Federal National Mortgage Association Collateralized
   FSA -- Financial Security Assurance
   GNMA Coll. -- Government National Mortgage Association Collateralized
   G.O. Bonds -- General Obligation Bonds
   IFB -- Inverse Floating Rate Bonds
   IF COP -- Inverse Floating Rate Certificate of Participation
   MBIA -- MBIA Insurance Company
   PSFG -- Permanent School Fund Guaranteed
   U.S. Govt. Coll. -- U.S. Government Collateralized
   VRDN -- Variable Rate Demand Notes
Municipal bonds and notes (99.5%) (a)
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Principal amount
                                                              Rating (RAT)
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Alabama (2.3%)
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    $7,000,000 Jefferson Cnty., Swr. Rev. Bonds, Ser.
            D, FGIC, 5 3/4s, 2/1/27
                                                                 Aaa
Arizona (1.1%)
      750,000 AZ Hlth. Fac. Auth. Hosp. Syst. Rev.
             Bonds (John C. Lincoln Hlth. Network), 6
             3/8s, 12/1/37
                                                                 BBB
      950,000 Casa Grande, Indl. Dev. Auth. Rev. Bonds
             (Casa Grande Regl. Med. Ctr.), Ser. A, 7
                                                                 B-/P
             5/8s, 12/1/29
      475,000 Cochise Cnty., Indl. Dev. Auth. Rev.
             Bonds (Sierra Vista Cmnty. Hosp.), Ser.
             A, 6 3/4s, 12/1/26
                                                                 BB+/P
    1,300,000 Scottsdale, Indl. Dev. Auth. Rev. Bonds
             (Westminster Village), 7 7/8s, 6/1/09
                                                                 AAA/P
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Arkansas (1.1%)		
2,310,000	AR Dev. Fin. Auth. Rev. Bonds, Ser. D, GNMA/FNMA Coll., 3s, 1/1/24	AAA
1,000,000	Northwest Regl. Arpt. Auth. Rev. Bonds, 7 5/8s, 2/1/27	BB/P
California (11.7	%) 	
	CA State G.O. Bonds	
	5 1/8s, 4/1/23	A
750,000	5.1s, 2/1/34	A
	CA State Dept. of Wtr. Resources Rev. Bonds, Ser. A	
2,000,000	6s, 5/1/15	A2
2,000,000	AMBAC, 5 1/2s, 5/1/16	Aaa
1,000,000	CA State Econ. Recvy. G.O. Bonds, Ser.	
	A, 5s, 7/1/16	Aa3
1,750,000	CA Statewide Cmnty. Dev. Auth. COP (The	222
4,000,000	Internext Group), 5 3/8s, 4/1/30 Chula Vista COP, MBIA, 5s, 8/1/32	BBB-
1,475,000	Gilroy, Rev. Bonds (Bonfante Gardens	Aaa
1,170,000	Park), 8s, 11/1/25	D/P
3,000,000	Metropolitan Wtr. Dist. IFB (Southern CA	
	Waterworks), 9.644s, 8/10/18	Aa2
2,000,000	Sacramento, City Unified School Dist.	
	G.O. Bonds (Election 1999), Ser. D, FSA,	
5,000,000	5s, 7/1/28 San Bernardino Cnty., COP (Med. Ctr.	Aaa
3,000,000	Fin.), Ser. A, MBIA, 6 1/2s, 8/1/17	Aaa
	San Diego Cnty., IF COP, AMBAC	naa
3,000,000	9.47s, 9/1/12	Aaa
3,000,000	9.22s, 9/1/07	Aaa
2,500,000	San Jose, Redev. Agcy. Tax Alloc. Bonds	
	(Merged Area Redev. Project), MBIA, 5s,	
700 000	8/1/32	Aaa
790,000	Sunnyvale, Cmnty. Fac. Dist. Special Tax Rev. Bonds, 7.65s, 8/1/21	BB-/P
1,300,000	Vallejo, COP (Marine World Foundation),	DD / F
_, _, _, _,	7.2s, 2/1/26	BBB-/P
Colorado (3.2%)		
10,000,000	Denver, City & Cnty. Arpt. Rev. Bonds,	
	Ser. A, MBIA, 5.7s, 11/15/25	Aaa
Connecticut (1.4	%)	
4,500,000	CT State Hlth. & Edl. Fac. Auth. VRDN	
	(Yale U.), Ser. V-2, 1.97s, 7/1/36	VMIG1
District of Colu	mbia (5.9%)	
12,450,000	DC G.O. Bonds, Ser. A, 6s, 6/1/26	A
5,550,000	DC Wtr. & Swr. Auth. Pub. Util. Rev.	
	Bonds, FGIC, 5s, 10/1/28	Aaa 

Florida (1.3%)		
1,000,000	Lee Cnty., Indl. Dev. Auth. Rev. Bonds (Alliance Cmnty. Project), Ser. C, 5 1/2s, 11/15/29	DDD_
600,000	Miami Beach, Hlth. Fac. Auth. Hosp. Rev. Bonds (Mount Sinai Med. Ctr.), Ser. A, 6.8s, 11/15/31	BBB- BB
2,700,000	Palm Coast, Util. Syst. Rev. Bonds, MBIA, 5s, 10/1/33	Aaa -
Georgia (4.9%)		
3,000,000	Atlanta, Arpt. Rev. Bonds, Ser. B, FGIC, 5 5/8s, 1/1/30	
3,000,000	Atlanta, Waste Wtr. VRDN, Ser. C, FSA, 1.90s, 11/1/41	VMIG1
4,000,000	Atlanta, Wtr. & Waste Wtr. Rev. Bonds, FSA, 5s, 11/1/24	Aaa
1,500,000	Burke Cnty., Poll. Control Dev. Auth. Mandatory Put Bonds (GA Power Co.), 4.45s, 12/1/08	A2
1,400,000	Effingham Cnty., Indl. Dev. Auth. Rev. Bonds (Pacific Corp.), 6 1/2s, 6/1/31	Ba3
1,180,000	Rockdale Cnty., Dev. Auth. Solid Waste Disp. Rev. Bonds (Visay Paper, Inc.),	
1,500,000	7.4s, 1/1/16 Savannah, Econ. Dev. Auth. Poll. Control Rev. Bonds (Intl. Paper Co.), Ser. A, 5.1s, 8/1/14	B+ Baa2
Hawaii (0.3%)		-
900,000	HI State Hsg. Fin. & Dev. Corp. Rev. Bonds, Ser. A, FNMA Coll., 5 3/4s, 7/1/30	Aaa
Illinois (3.0%)		
2,000,000	Chicago, G.O. Bonds, Ser. A, FSA, 5s, 1/1/25	Aaa
	IL Hsg. Dev. Auth. Multi-Fam. Hsg. Rev. Bonds, Ser. 91-A, 8 1/4s, 7/1/16	A1
1,770,000	Metropolitan Pier & Exposition Auth. Rev. Bonds (McCormack Place Expansion Project), MBIA, 5s, 12/15/28	Aaa -
Indiana (4.1%)		
	Carmel Clay, Indl. Parks Bldg. Corp.	
3,000,000	Rev. Bonds, MBIA, 5s, 1/15/26 Fairfield, School Bldg. Corp. Ind. Rev. Bonds, FGIC, 5s, 7/15/24	AAA
1,000,000	GCS School Bldg. Corp. Rev. Bonds (First	11111

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3,000,000	Mtg.), FSA, 5s, 7/15/26 IN State Dev. Fin. Auth. Env. Impt. Rev.	AAA
, ,	Bonds (USX Corp.), 5.6s, 12/1/32 Indianapolis, Arpt. Auth. Rev. Bonds	Baa1
	(Federal Express Corp.), 5.1s, 1/15/17	Baa2
1,300,000	Rockport, Poll. Control Mandatory Put Bonds (Indiana Michigan Pwr. Co.), Ser.	
	C, 2 5/8s, 10/1/06	BBB
Iowa (0.4%)		
	IA Fin. Auth. Hlth. Care Fac. Rev. Bonds (Care Initiatives), 9 1/4s, 7/1/25	ВВВ-/Р
Louisiana (1.1%)		
	LA Local Govt. Env. Fac. Cmnty. Dev. Auth. Rev. Bonds (Hlth. Care - St. James	
2,000,000	Place), Ser. A, 7s, 11/1/20 Port of New Orleans, Indl. Dev. Rev. Bonds (Continental Grain Co.), 7 1/2s,	B-/P
	7/1/13	BB- 
Maine (0.2%)		
600,000	Rumford, Solid Waste Disp. Rev. Bonds (Boise Cascade Corp.), 6 7/8s, 10/1/26	Ba1
Massachusetts (3	3.0%)	
	MA State Hlth. & Edl. Fac. Auth. Rev. Bonds	
	(UMass Memorial), Ser. C, 6 1/2s, 7/1/21 (Berkshire Hlth. Syst.), Ser. E, 6 1/4s,	Baa2
	10/1/31	BBB+
, ,	(Hlth. Care Syst. Covenant Hlth.), Ser. E, 6s, 7/1/31	A-
3,400,000	MA State Hsg. Fin. Agcy. Rev. Bonds, Ser. 53, MBIA, 6.15s, 12/1/29	Aaa
1,000,000	MA State Indl. Fin. Agcy. Rev. Bonds (1st Mtge. Brookhaven), Ser. A, 7s,	
	1/1/15	BBB/P
Michigan (2.8%)		
4,500,000	Detroit, G.O. Bonds, Ser. A, FGIC, 5s, 7/1/30	Aaa
500,000	MI Higher Ed. Fac. Auth. Rev. Bonds (Kalamazoo College), 5 1/2s, 12/1/18	A1
1,000,000	MI State Hosp. Fin. Auth. Rev. Bonds (Oakwood Hosp.), Ser. A, 5 3/4s, 4/1/32	A2
1,650,000	MI State Strategic Fund, Ltd. Rev. Bonds	nΔ
1 000 000	(Worthington Armstrong Venture), U.S. Govt. Coll., 5 3/4s, 10/1/22	AAA/P
1,000,000	Midland Cnty., Econ. Dev. Corp. Rev. Bonds, 6 3/4s, 7/23/09	Ba3

2,500,000	Cohasset, Poll. Control Rev. Bonds (Allete, Inc.), 4.95s, 7/1/22	A
ssissippi (0.8		
1,000,000	Mississippi Bus. Fin. Corp. Poll. Control Rev. Bonds (Syst. Energy	
1,580,000	Resources, Inc.), 5.9s, 5/1/22	BBB-
<b>-,</b> -	Bonds (Syst. Energy Resources, Inc.), 5 7/8s, 4/1/22	BBB-
ssouri (2.0%)		
1,750,000	Cape Girardeau Cnty., Indl. Dev. Auth. Hlth. Care Fac. Rev. Bonds (St. Francis Med. Ctr.), Ser. A, 5 1/2s, 6/1/16	А
2,500,000		
	2/15/33	Aa1
2,000,000 ntana (0.3%)	2/15/33	Aa1 A-1+
ntana (0.3%)	2/15/33 MO State Hlth. & Edl. Fac. Auth. VRDN (Christian Brothers), Ser. A, 1.95s,	
ntana (0.3%)	2/15/33  MO State Hlth. & Edl. Fac. Auth. VRDN (Christian Brothers), Ser. A, 1.95s, 10/1/32  Forsyth, Poll. Control Mandatory Put Bonds (Avista Corp.), AMBAC, 5s,	A-1+
ntana (0.3%) 1,075,000 vada (2.8%)	2/15/33  MO State Hlth. & Edl. Fac. Auth. VRDN (Christian Brothers), Ser. A, 1.95s, 10/1/32  Forsyth, Poll. Control Mandatory Put Bonds (Avista Corp.), AMBAC, 5s,	A-1+
ntana (0.3%) 1,075,000 vada (2.8%)	2/15/33  MO State Hlth. & Edl. Fac. Auth. VRDN (Christian Brothers), Ser. A, 1.95s, 10/1/32  Forsyth, Poll. Control Mandatory Put Bonds (Avista Corp.), AMBAC, 5s, 12/30/08  Clark Cnty., G.O. Bonds (Pk. & Regl. Justice Ctr.), FGIC, 5 5/8s, 11/1/19	A-1+ Aaa
ntana (0.3%) 1,075,000  vada (2.8%) 3,505,000	2/15/33  MO State Hlth. & Edl. Fac. Auth. VRDN (Christian Brothers), Ser. A, 1.95s, 10/1/32  Forsyth, Poll. Control Mandatory Put Bonds (Avista Corp.), AMBAC, 5s, 12/30/08  Clark Cnty., G.O. Bonds (Pk. & Regl. Justice Ctr.), FGIC, 5 5/8s, 11/1/19 Clark Cnty., Arpt. Rev. Bonds, Ser. A-2, FGIC, 5 1/8s, 7/1/26	A-1+  Aaa  Aaa  Aaa
ntana (0.3%) 1,075,000  vada (2.8%)3,505,000 5,000,000	2/15/33  MO State Hlth. & Edl. Fac. Auth. VRDN (Christian Brothers), Ser. A, 1.95s, 10/1/32  Forsyth, Poll. Control Mandatory Put Bonds (Avista Corp.), AMBAC, 5s, 12/30/08  Clark Cnty., G.O. Bonds (Pk. & Regl. Justice Ctr.), FGIC, 5 5/8s, 11/1/19 Clark Cnty., Arpt. Rev. Bonds, Ser. A-2, FGIC, 5 1/8s, 7/1/26	A-1+  Aaa  Aaa  Aaa
ntana (0.3%) 1,075,000  vada (2.8%)3,505,000 5,000,000	2/15/33  MO State Hlth. & Edl. Fac. Auth. VRDN (Christian Brothers), Ser. A, 1.95s, 10/1/32  Forsyth, Poll. Control Mandatory Put Bonds (Avista Corp.), AMBAC, 5s, 12/30/08  Clark Cnty., G.O. Bonds (Pk. & Regl. Justice Ctr.), FGIC, 5 5/8s, 11/1/19 Clark Cnty., Arpt. Rev. Bonds, Ser. A-2, FGIC, 5 1/8s, 7/1/26  NH Higher Ed. & Hlth. Fac. Auth. Rev. Bonds (Riverwoods at Exeter), Ser. A, 6 1/2s, 3/1/23	A-1+  Aaa  Aaa  Aaa

1,000,000 Newark, Hsg. Auth. Rev. Bonds (Port

1,000,000	Auth. Newark Marine Terminal), MBIA, 5	
	1/4s, 1/1/20	AAA
	NJ Econ. Dev. Auth. Rev. Bonds	
1,500,000	(Cigarette Tax), 5 3/4s, 6/15/29	Baa2
2,000,000		7.5.5
1,000,000	7/1/27 NJ Econ. Dev. Auth. Special Fac. Rev.	Aaa
1,000,000	Bonds (Continental Airlines, Inc.), 6	
	1/4s, 9/15/29	В
500,000	·	
	(Stevens Inst. of Tech.), Ser. C, 5	
	1/8s, 7/1/22	Baa1
1,840,000		
1 1 5 0 0 0 0 0	(Rowan U.), Ser. C, MBIA, 5s, 7/1/23	Aaa
1,150,000	-	חחח
	Bonds, 6 3/4s, 6/1/39	BBB
Nov. Morrison (O. 00		
New Mexico (0.2%	o) 	
820,000	Farmington, Poll. Control Mandatory Put	
	Bonds (Pub. Svc. San Juan), Class B,	
	2.1s, 4/1/06	Baa2
New York (6.2%)		
	Buffalo, G.O. Bonds, Ser. D, FGIC, 5	
1,000,000	1/2s, 12/15/13	Aaa
2,000,000		1200
	Rev. Bonds, Ser. A, 5 3/4s, 12/1/24	A3
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4 000 0	8/1/11	A2
1,000,000	4.	7
750,000	Rev. Bonds, AMBAC, 5 1/4s, 8/1/15	Aaa
750,000	NY City, Indl. Dev. Agcy. Rev. Bonds (Brooklyn Navy Yard Cogen. Partners),	
	6.2s, 10/1/22	BBB-
2,100,000		555
,,	Fac. Rev. Bonds (Airis JFK I LLC), Ser.	
	A, 5 1/2s, 7/1/28	Baa3
700,000	NY City, Indl. Dev. Agcy. Special Fac.	
	Rev. Bonds (British Airways), 5 1/4s,	
4 = 00 0 = -	12/1/32	BB+
1,500,000	NY Cntys., Tobacco Trust III Rev. Bonds,	D 0
2,000,000	6s, 6/1/43 NY State Dorm. Auth. Rev. Bonds, Ser. A,	Baa2
2,000,000	5 1/2s, 3/15/13	AA
2,000,000	NY State Energy Research & Dev. Auth.	AA
_, ,	Gas Fac. Rev. Bonds (Brooklyn Union	
	Gas), 6.952s, 7/1/26	A+
800,000		
	Bonds (Solvay Paperboard, LLC), 7s,	
	11/1/30 (acquired 6/30/04, cost	
0 500 000	\$830,184) (RES)	BB-/P
2,500,000	Triborough Bridge & Tunnel Auth. Rev.	
	Bonds Sar A 5s 1/1/32	y → 3
	Bonds, Ser. A, 5s, 1/1/32	Aa3 

North Carolina (2.0%)

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	NC Eastern Muni. Pwr. Agcy. Syst. Rev. Bonds	
2,000,000 2,000,000 1,500,000	Ser. B, MBIA, 6s, 1/1/22 AMBAC, 6s, 1/1/18	Aaa Aaa
	(No. 1, Catawba Elec.), Ser. B, 6 1/2s, 1/1/20	A3
Ohio (3.0%)		
5,700,000	Cleveland, Muni. School Dist. G.O. Bonds, FSA, 5s, 12/1/27	Aaa
1,000,000	Montgomery Cnty., Hosp. Rev. Bonds (Kettering Med. Ctr.), 6 3/4s, 4/1/22	A3
500,000	OH State Wtr. Dev. Auth. Poll. Control Fac. Mandatory Put Bonds (OH Edison	AJ
2,165,000	•	Baa1
	(OASBO Expanded Asset Pooled), Ser. A, 5 3/8s, 1/1/32	A2
Oklahoma (0.3%) 		
950,000	OK Dev. Fin. Auth. Rev. Bonds (Hillcrest Hlth. Care Syst.), Ser. A, U.S. Govt. Coll., 5 5/8s, 8/15/29	AAA
Pennsylvania (6.		
	Allegheny Cnty., Hosp. Dev. Auth. Rev. Bonds (Pittsburgh Mercy Hlth. Syst.), AMBAC, 5 5/8s, 8/15/26	Aaa
1,350,000		naa
890,000	Elec.), 1.65s, 10/1/08 Carbon Cnty., Indl. Dev. Auth. Rev.	Baa2
750,000	Bonds (Panther Creek Partners), 6.65s, 5/1/10 Delaware Cnty., Indl. Dev. Auth.	BBB-
730,000	Resource Recvy. Rev. Bonds, Ser. A, 6.1s, 7/1/13	BBB
4,000,000	Hempfield, Area School Dist. G.O. Bonds (Westmoreland Cnty.), Ser. A, FGIC, 5	
1,500,000	± · · · ±	AAA
1,000,000	(Gen. Hosp.), 5 1/2s, 3/15/26 Lehigh Cnty., Gen. Purpose Auth. Rev.	A
	Bonds (Lehigh Valley Hosp. Hlth.  Network), Ser. A, 5 1/4s, 7/1/32  PA State Econ. Dev. Fin. Auth. Resource	A2
3,000,000 100,000	·	BBB-/P BBB-
1,450,000	Sayre, Hlth. Care Fac. Auth. Rev. Bonds (Guthrie Hlth.), Ser. A, 5 7/8s, 12/1/31	A-

Rhode Island (0.	1%)	
200,000	Tobacco Settlement Fin. Corp. Rev. Bonds, Ser. A, 6 1/4s, 6/1/42	ВВВ
South Carolina (	4.2%)	
	Lexington Cnty. Hlth. Svcs. Dist. Inc. Hosp. Rev. Bonds, 5 1/2s, 5/1/37 SC Jobs Econ. Dev. Auth. Hosp. Fac. Rev.	A2
	Bonds (Palmetto Hlth. Alliance), Ser. C, 6s, 8/1/20	Baa2
	SC State Pub. Svcs. Auth. Rev. Bonds, Ser. A, AMBAC, 5s, 1/1/29	Aaa
	SC Tobacco Settlement Rev. Mgt. Rev. Bonds, Ser. B, 6 3/8s, 5/15/30 SC Trans. Infrastructure Bk. Rev. Bonds,	ВВВ
	Ser. A, AMBAC, 5s, 10/1/27 Spartanburg Cnty., Solid Waste Disp.	Aaa
1,000,000	Rev. Bonds (BMW Project), 7.55s, 11/1/24	A1
South Dakota (0.	1%)	
	SD Edl. Enhancement Funding Corp. Rev. Bonds, Ser. B, 6 1/2s, 6/1/32	BBB
Tennessee (1.0%)		
2,750,000	Johnson City, Hlth. & Edl. Fac. Board Hosp. Rev. Bonds (Mountain States Hlth.), Ser. A, 7 1/2s, 7/1/33	BBB+
Texas (8.3%)		
	Alliance, Arpt. Auth. Rev. Bonds (American Airlines, Inc.), 7 1/2s, 12/1/29	
12,000,000	Bexar Cnty., Hlth. Fac. Dev. Corp. Rev. Bonds (St. Luke's Hlth. Syst.), FSA,	odd
1,000,000	6.1s, 11/15/23 Comal Cnty., Hlth. Fac. Dev. Corp. Rev.	Aaa
2,020,000	Bonds (Hlth. Care Syst McKenna Memorial), Ser. A, 6 1/4s, 2/1/32 Edgewood, Indpt. School Dist. Bexar	Baa2
2,345,000	Cnty. G.O. Bonds, Ser. A, PSFG, 5s, 2/15/26 El Paso, Indpt. School Dist. G.O. Bonds,	Aaa
, ,	Ser. A, PSFG, 5 1/4s, 8/15/21 Gateway, Pub. Fac. Corp. Rev. Bonds	AAA
	(Stonegate Villas Apt.), FNMA Coll., 4.55s, 7/1/34	Aaa
610,000	Harris Cnty., Hlth. Fac. Dev. Corp. Hosp. Rev. Bonds (Memorial Hermann Hlth. Care Syst.), Ser. A, 5 1/4s, 12/1/18	A2
3,000,000	Lower Neches Valley Indl. Dev. Swr. Auth. Rev. Bonds (Mobil Oil Refining	112
2,000,000	Corp.), 6.4s, 3/1/30 San Antonio Wtr. Rev. Bonds, Ser. A,	Aaa
	FSA, 5s, 5/15/32	Aaa

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2,000,000	Tomball, Hosp. Auth. Rev. Bonds (Tomball Regl. Hosp.), 6s, 7/1/29	Baa3
Utah (0.6%)		
2,000,000	Salt Lake City, Hosp. Rev. Bonds, AMBAC, 6 3/4s, 5/15/20	AAA
Virginia (2.1%)		
500,000	Fredericksburg, Indl. Dev. Auth. Rev. Bonds (Medicorp Hlth. Syst.), Ser. B, 5 1/8s, 6/15/33	A3
2,500,000	Front Royal & Warren Cnty., Indl. Dev. Auth. Lease Rev. Bonds (School Cap. Impt.), Ser. B, FSA, 5s, 4/1/29	Aaa
1,000,000	Henrico Cnty. Econ. Dev. Auth. Rev. Bonds (United Methodist), Ser. A, 6.7s, 6/1/27	BB+/P
2,500,000	VA College Bldg. Auth. Rev. Bonds (Washington and Lee U.), MBIA, 5 1/4s, 1/1/26	AAA
Washington (3.7%	\$) 	
	Chelan Cnty. Dev. Corp. Rev. Bonds (Alcoa), 5.85s, 12/1/31  King Cnty. C. C. Bonds Corp. C. 6.1/4s	A2
2,250,000 1,260,000	King Cnty., G.O. Bonds, Ser. C, 6 1/4s, 1/1/32 Tobacco Settlement Auth. of WA Rev.	Aa1
	Bonds, 6 1/2s, 6/1/26 WA State G.O. Bonds (Motor Vehicle	BBB
4,000,000	Fuel), Ser. B, MBIA, 5s, 7/1/24	Aaa 
West Virginia (C	).9%)	
2,000,000	Marshall Cnty., Poll. Control VRDN (OH Pwr. Co.), Ser. E, 1.95s, 6/1/22	
1,300,000	Princeton, Hosp. Rev. Bonds (Cmnty. Hosp. Assn., Inc.), 6.1s, 5/1/29	VMIG1 B2
Wisconsin (2.3%)		
2,600,000 2,500,000	Badger Tobacco Settlement Asset Securitization Corp. Rev. Bonds 7s, 6/1/28 6 3/8s, 6/1/32 WI State Hlth. & Edl. Fac. Auth. Rev. Bonds (Wheaton Franciscan), 5 3/4s, 8/15/30	BBB BBB
	Total Municipal bonds and notes (cost \$312,939,704)	  \$3

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NOTES

- (a) Percentages indicated are based on portfolio market value.
- (b) The aggregate identified cost on a tax basis is \$314,496,370, resulting in gross unrealized appreciation and depreciation of \$18,553,784 and \$2,544,738, respectively, or net unrealized appreciation of \$16,009,046.
- (RAT) The Moody's or Standard & Poor's ratings indicated are believed to be the most recent ratings available at January 31, 2005 for the securities listed. Ratings are generally ascribed to securities at the time of issuance. While the agencies may from time to time revise such ratings, they undertake no obligation to do so, and the ratings do not necessarily represent what the agencies would ascribe to these securities at January 31, 2005. Securities rated by Putnam are indicated by "/P". Security ratings are defined in the Statement of Additional Information.
- (RES) Restricted, excluding 144A securities, as to public resale. The total market value of restricted securities held at January 31, 2005 was \$850,280 or 0.3% of portfolio market value.

The rates shown on VRDN and Mandatory Put Bonds are the current interest rates at January 31, 2005.

The dates shown on Mandatory Put Bonds are the next mandatory put dates.

The rates shown on IFB and IF COP, which are securities paying interest rates that vary inversely to changes in the market interest rates, are the current interest rates at January 31, 2005.

144A after the name of a security represents those exempt from registration under Rule 144A of the Securities Act of 1933. These securities may be resold in transactions exempt from registration, normally to qualified institutional buyers.

The fund had the following industry group concentrations greater than 10% at January 31, 2005 (as a percentage of portfolio market value):

Health care	18.5%
Housing	13.7
Utilities	12.3
Water and sewer	11.0
Transportation	10.1

The fund had the following insurance concentrations greater than 10% at January 31, 2005 (as a percentage of portfolio market value):

MBIA 14.7% FGIC 11.8 FSA 10.8

Security valuation Tax-exempt bonds and notes are valued at fair value on the basis of valuations provided by an independent pricing service, approved by the Trustees. Such services use information with respect to transactions in bonds, quotations from bond dealers, market transactions in comparable securities and various relationships between securities in determining value. Other investments are valued at fair value following procedures approved by the Trustees. Such valuations and procedures are reviewed periodically by the Trustees.

For additional information regarding the fund please see the fund's most recent annual or semiannual shareholder report filed on the Securities and Exchange Commission's Web site, www.sec.gov, or visit Putnam's Individual Investor Web site at www.putnamin

### Item 2. Controls and Procedures:

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- (a) The registrant's principal executive officer and principal financial officer have concluded, based on their evaluation of the effectiveness of the design and operation of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures as of a date within 90 days of the filing date of this report, that the design and operation of such procedures are generally effective to provide reasonable assurance that information required to be disclosed by the registrant in this report is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the Commission's rules and forms.
- (b) Changes in internal control over financial reporting: Not applicable

Item 3. Exhibits:

A separate certification for each principal executive officer and principal financial officer of the registrant as required by Rule 30a-2 under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, are filed herewith.

#### SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Investment Company Act of 1940, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

NAME OF REGISTRANT

By (Signature and Title): /s/ Michael T. Healy

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Michael T. Healy

Principal Accounting Officer

Date: March 28, 2005

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Investment Company Act of 1940, this report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

By (Signature and Title): /s/ Charles E. Porter

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Charles E. Porter

Principal Executive Officer

Date: March 28, 2005

By (Signature and Title): /s/ Steven D. Krichmar

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Steven D. Krichmar

Principal Financial Officer

Date: March 28, 2005