

PUTNAM HIGH INCOME SECURITIES FUND
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FORM 5

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ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
SAGER MICHAEL J

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**PUTNAM INVESTMENTS, ONE
 POST OFFICE SQUARE**

(Street)

BOSTON, MA 02109

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
PUTNAM HIGH INCOME SECURITIES FUND [pcf]

3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year)
08/31/2006

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
 Former Putnam Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting

(check applicable line)

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

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or (D) Price | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|--|-----------------------------------|
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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 | 2. Conversion | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | 4. Transaction | 5. Number | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date | 7. Title and Amount of | 8. Price of Derivative | 9. of |
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| Security (Instr. 3) | or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | any (Month/Day/Year) | Code (Instr. 8) | of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | (Month/Day/Year) | Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | Security (Instr. 5) | D | S | B | O | E | I | F | (I |
|---------------------|--|----------------------|-----------------|---|------------------|--|---------------------|-------|----------------------------|---|---|---|---|---|----|
| | | | | | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | | | | | |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| SAGER MICHAEL J PUTNAM INVESTMENTS ONE POST OFFICE SQUARE BOSTON, MA 02109 | ^ | ^ | ^ Former Putnam Officer | ^ |

Signatures

Michael J. Sager 10/19/2006

__Signature of Date
Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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