Flaherty & Crumrine PREFERRED SECURITIES INCOME FUND INC Form N-Q April 27, 2018

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FORM N-Q

QUARTERLY SCHEDULE OF PORTFOLIO HOLDINGS OF REGISTERED MANAGEMENT INVESTMENT COMPANY

Investment Company Act file number 811-21129

Flaherty & Crumrine Preferred Securities Income Fund Incorporated (Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

301 E. Colorado Boulevard, Suite 720 Pasadena, CA 91101 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code)

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Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 626-795-7300

Date of fiscal year end: November 30

Date of reporting period: February 28, 2018

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Item 1. Schedule of Investments.

The Schedule(s) of Investments is attached herewith.

FLAHERTY & CRUMRINE Preferred Securities Income Fund

To the Shareholders of Flaherty & Crumrine Preferred Securities Income Fund ("FFC"):

Despite general weakness in most fixed-income markets (e.g., investment-grade corporate bonds), attributable mostly to higher benchmark interest rates, preferred securities performed reasonably well on a relative basis. Total return¹ on net asset value ("NAV") for the first fiscal quarterwas -0.2%, while total return on market price was -5.1%.

The U.S. economy remains on solid footing, with most economists forecasting faster growth in 2018. Inflation has remained in check thus far, and modest wage growth and strong business investment suggest that faster economic growth can be accommodated without the economy overheating. Faster economic growth combined with optimism around tax reform has caused interest rates to move modestly higher. Tax reform should be supportive of growth and investment, but much of it will be deficit-financed and could result in higher Treasury rates as government borrowing increases.

Investors often associate higher long-term interest rates with lower prices for preferred securities, and to some extent this is true. However, sensitivity of the Fund's preferred portfolio to benchmark interest rates is much lower today than it was ten years ago. That is primarily attributable to larger holdings of fixed-to-floating rate securities relative to traditional fixed-for-life preferreds. Including these securities in a portfolio (~74% as of 2/28/2018) reduces sensitivity to benchmark interest rates. Moderate interest-rate sensitivity, along with a tightening of preferred credit spreads during the quarter, offset much of the weakness experienced by other fixed-income asset classes.

Most of the portfolio experienced credit-spread tightening as noted above, but one area of mixed performance was the energy sector, notably master limited partnerships (MLPs). The MLP industry appears to be in transition. The traditional MLP structure has struggled to meet investor expectations, leading some to collapse partnership structures into simpler organizations. Lower corporate tax rates from recent tax reform may accelerate that trend. While a simpler structure should benefit preferred investors over time, many MLPs issued preferreds in the last few months, causing yields to increase as concessions were offered to entice demand. Importantly, individual MLPs are in various stages of transition, and we remain comfortable with the level of MLP exposure in the Fund's portfolio (~6.4% as of 2/28/2018). Many of the MLPs held by the Fund are among the strongest credits in the sector and a step ahead of peers in navigating these rough waters.

The Fund's dividend rate was reduced during the quarter to reflect changes in interest rates and credit spreads that have cumulated over time. Tightening by the Federal Reserve has raised short-term interest rates and, therefore, leverage cost, while lower preferred yields have gradually reduced portfolio income. The investment objective of the Fund is to provide high current income consistent with the preservation of capital, and we believe the Fund will continue to meet that objective – although distributable income may be reduced as we proceed through this economic cycle. Fund shareholders have benefited from years of record-low interest rates and low leverage costs, but rates have moved up as the economy has improved. We believe the Fund's strategy of investing in preferred securities and using leverage to increase income will continue to produce a competitive distribution rate for shareholders. We encourage shareholders to read the Fund's 2017 annual report for a more-thorough discussion of this important topic.

¹ Following the methodology required by the Securities and Exchange Commission, total return assumes dividend reinvestment.

² December 1, 2017 — February 28, 2018

Market volatility is likely to increase from record-low levels as we move into later stages of this economic cycle, but we believe preferreds will continue to offer competitive performance. Their combination of credit quality and yield (much of which is tax-advantaged) will be difficult to replicate in other fixed-income asset classes.

As always, we encourage you to visit the Fund's website, <u>www.preferredincome.com</u>, for timely and important information.

Sincerely,

The Flaherty & Crumrine Portfolio Management Team

March 31, 2018

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Flaherty & Crumrine Preferred Securities Income Fund Incorporated

PORTFOLIO OVERVIEW

February 28, 2018 (Unaudited)

Fund Statistics

Net Asset Value	\$ 19.95	
Market Price	\$ 19.20	
Discount	3.76	%
Yield on Market Price	7.13	%
Common Stock Shares Outstanding	44,252,6	35

	% of	
Security Ratings**	Net	
	Assets	†
A	0.7	%
BBB	56.4	%
BB	32.0	%
Below "BB"	1.0	%
Not Rated***	8.1	%

	% of
Portfolio Rating Guidelines	
	Assets†
Security Rated Below Investment Grade By All****	27.9 %
Issuer or Senior Debt Rated Below Investment Grade by All****	2.0 %

^{**}Ratings are from Moody's Investors Service, Inc. "Not Rated" securities are those with no ratings available from Moody's.

Industry Categories* % of Net Assets†

Top 10 Holdings by Issuer	% of Net
	Assets†

^{***}Excludes common stock and money market fund investments and net other assets and liabilities of 1.8%.

^{****}Security rating below investment grade by all of Moody's, Standard & Poor's, and Fitch Ratings.

^{*****}Security rating and issuer's senior unsecured debt or issuer rating are below investment grade by all of Moody's, S&P, and Fitch. The Fund's investment policy currently limits such securities to 10% of Net Assets.

JPMorgan Chase & Co	4.6 %
PNC Financial Services Group Inc	4.5 %
Wells Fargo & Company	4.3 %
MetLife Inc	4.3 %
Liberty Mutual Group	3.7 %
Citigroup Inc	3.6 %
Morgan Stanley	3.5 %
BNP Paribas	3.2 %
Fifth Third Bancorp	3.2 %
XL Group Limited	3.0 %

% of Net Assets*****

Holdings Generating Qualified Dividend Income (QDI) for Individuals 58 % Holdings Generating Income Eligible for the Corporate Dividends Received Deduction (DRD) 45 %

*****This does not reflect year-end results or actual tax categorization of Fund distributions. These percentages can, and do, change, perhaps significantly, depending on market conditions. Investors should consult their tax advisor regarding their personal situation.

†Net Assets includes assets attributable to the use of leverage.

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PORTFOLIO OF INVESTMENTS

February 28, 2018 (Unaudited)

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Shares/$
                    Value
Par
Preferred Securities — 93.4%
Banking — 54.0%
              Australia
              &
              New
              Zealand
              Banking
              Group
              Ltd.,
$ 5,103,000
              6.7$%5,594,164
                                   **(1)(2)
              to
              06/15/26
              then
              ISDA5
              +
              5.168%,
              144A****
              Banco
              Bilbao
              Vizcaya
              Argentaria
              SA,
              6.125% 13,056,000
$ 12,800,000
                                   **(1)(2)
              11/16/27
              then
              SW5
              3.87%
                                   **(2)
              Banc<sub>3</sub>,241,607
$ 2,970,000
              Mercantil
              del
              Norte
              SA,
              7.625%
              to
              01/06/28
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then
              T10Y
              +
              5.353%,
              144A****
              Bank of America Corporation:
              3ML
              3.63%,
5.3969%,
5,3969%,
                                    *(1)
$ 13,571,000
              Series
              K
              8.125%
              to
              05/15/18
              then
                                    *(1)
$ 11,000,000 3ML 11,178,750
              3.64%,
              Series
              M
              Barclays Bank PLC:
              7.875%
              to
              03/15/22
              then
SW5 20,390,997
$ 18,863,000
                                    **(1)(2)
              6.772%,
              144A****
              8.125%,
 300,036
              Series7,968,956
                                    **(1)(2)
              5
              BNP Paribas:
              7.375%
              to
              08/19/25
              then SW5 34,570,800
                                    **(1)(2)
$ 31,040,000
              5.15%,
              144A****
                                    **(2)
$ 8,000,000
              7.625%,720,000
              03/30/21
              then
              SW5
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6.314%,
              144A****
             Capital One Financial
             Corporation:
             6.00%,
              Series353,577
  13,893
             В
             6.00%,
  58,600
             Series1,548,212
             Η
             6.20%,
             Series903,380
  34,000
             F
             6.70%,
                                   *(1)
  120,900
             Series3,228,030
             D
             Citigroup, Inc.:
             5.95%
             to
             05/15/25
             then
$ 2,000,000
             3ML 2,081,500
             3.905%,
              Series
             P
             6.875%
             to
              11/15/23
             then
                                   *(1)
  1,036,484
             3ML 29,218,484
             4.13%,
              Series
             K
             7.125%
             to
             09/30/23
             then
                                   *(1)
             3ML 16,438,093
  572,357
             4.04%,
              Series
             J
             CoBank ACB:
  38,420
             6.125%,899,630
             Series
             G,
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144A****
              6.20%
              to
              01/01/25
              then
              3ML 11,146,200
  104,000
              3.744%,
              Series
              H,
              144A****
              6.25%
              to
              10/01/22
              then
              3ML
+ 6,450,000
                                    *(1)
 60,000
              4.557%,
              Series
              F,
              144A****
              6.25%
              to
              10/01/26
              then
              3ML <sub>2,724,991</sub>
$ 2,498,000
              4.66%,
              Series
              I,
              144A****
              Colonial
              BancGroup, 7.114%,
                                    (3)(4)++
$ 35,100,000
              144A****
              Credit
              Agricole
              SA,
              7.875%
              to 1,823,562 01/23/24
                                    **(2)
$ 1,630,000
              then
              SW5
              4.898%,144A****
                                    *(1)
  1,483,814
             Fifth 42,659,652
              Third
              Bancorp,
              6.625%
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to
              12/31/23
              then
              3ML
              +
              3.71%,
              Series
              I
              First Horizon National
              Corporation:
              First
              Tennessee
              Bank,
              3ML
              +
0.85%, 2,974,675
  3,730
              min
              3.75%,
              3.75\%^{(5)},
              144A****
              FT
              Real
              Estate
              Securities
11,666,250
Company,
  9
              9.50%
              03/31/31,
              144A****
              Goldman Sachs Group:
              5.00%
              to
              11/10/22
              then
                                    *(1)
$ 12,000,000 3ML 11,701,440
              2.874%,
              Series
              P
              5.70%
              to
              05/10/19
              then
$ 390,000
              3ML 400,783
              3.884%,
              Series
                                    *(1)
  140,000
              6.375%,917,200
              to
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05/10/24
              then
              3ML
              +
              3.55%,
              Series
              K
              HSBC Holdings PLC:
              6.00%
              to
              05/22/27
                                   **(1)(2)
$ 2,100,000
              then 2,150,400
              ISDA5
              +
              3.746%
              6.875%
              to
              06/01/21
                                   **(1)(2)
$ 5,243,000
              then 5,623,117
              ISDA5
              +
              5.514%
              8.00%,
                                   **(1)(2)
  114,004
              Series3,036,497
              HSBC
              Capital
              Funding
              LP,
              10.176%
              06/30/30<sup>7</sup>,048,272
$ 4,400,000
                                   (1)(2)
              then
              3ML
              +
              4.98%,
              144A****
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PORTFOLIO OF INVESTMENTS (Continued)

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Par	v an	uc
Preferred Securities — (Continued) Banking — (Continued)		
\$ 5,800,000	Huntington Bancshares Inc.: 5.700% to 04/15/23 then 3ML + 2.88%, Series E	*
590,000	6.25%, Serie\$5,971,300 D	*(1)
300,000	ING Groep,755,000 NV, 6.375%	**(2)
\$ 5,450,000	JPMorgan Chase Company: 6.00% to 08/01/23 then 3ML5,711,600 + 3.30%, Series R	*(1)
56,600	6.1251% 4,94,806	*

Value

Shares/\$

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Series
             Y
            6.70%,
  183,700
             Serie4,800,081
            T
            6.75%
            to
            02/01/24
             then
$ 15,155,000 3ML16,765,219 *(1)
             3.78%,
             Series
             S
             7.90%
             to
            04/30/18
             then
$ 32,000,000 3ML32,320,000 *(1)
             3.47%,
             Series
            I
             KeyCorp,
             6.125%
            to
             12/15/26
            then 3ML 13,994,178 *(1)
 502,300
             3.892%,
             Series
             Ε
            Lloyds
            TSB
             Bank
            PLC,
             12.00%
            $ 9,340,000
            then
             3ML
             +
             11.756%,
             144A****
$ 16,750,000 M&T18,614,778 *(1)
             Bank
             Corporation,
             6.45%
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to
             02/15/24
             then
             3ML
             +
             3.61%,
             Series
             Ε
             Macquarie
             Bank
             Ltd.,
             6.125%
             to
             03/08/2060,000 **(2)
$ 3,000,000
             then
             SW5
             +
             3.703%,
             144A****
             MB
             Financial,
             Inc., 6,022,149 *
 242,340
             Series
             \mathbf{C}
             Morgan Stanley:
             5.85%
             to
             04/15/27
 879,089
             3ML23,577,167 *(1)
             +
             3.491%,
             Series
             K
             6.875%
             to
             01/15/24
             then
 502,400
             3ML14,283,232 *(1)
             3.94%,
             Series
             7.125%632,802 *(1)
 298,300
             to
             10/15/23
             then
             3ML
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+
            4.32%,
             Series
            Ε
            New
            York
            Community
             Bancorp,
            Inc.,
             6.375%
            977,000
            then
             3ML
             3.821%,
             Series
            PNC Financial Services
            Group, Inc.:
            6.125%
            to
            05/01/22
            then
            3ML56,272,731 *(1)
 2,014,460
            4.067%,
             Series
             P
             6.75%
            to
            08/01/21
             then
            3ML3,292,739 *(1)
$ 3,043,000
             +
             3.678%,
             Series
             O
             RaboBank
            Nederland,
             11.00%
            to
            06/30/19 8,643,931
$ 7,885,000
                          (1)(2)
             then
             3ML
             +
             10.868%,
             144A****
 27,213
                 750,714
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Regions
              Financial
              Corporation,
              6.375%
              to
              09/15/24
              then
              3ML
              +
              3.536%,
              Series
              В
              Societe
              Generale
              SA,
              7.375%
              to
              09/13/25/60,000 **(2)
$ 7,000,000
              then
              SW5
              +
              6.238%,
              144A****
              Sovereign
              Bancorp:
              Sovereign
              REIT
12.00%,
  8,641
              Series
              A,
              144A****
              Standard Chartered PLC:
              7.50%
              to
              04/02/22
              then SW5^{10,812,964} **(1)(2)
$ 9,970,000
              6.301%,
              144A****
              7.75%
              to
              04/02/23
              then SW5 8,710,000
                             **(1)(2)
$ 8,000,000
              +
              5.723%,
              144A****
                  13,774,875 *(1)
  505,500
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State
            Street
            Corporation,
            5.90%
            to
            03/15/24
            then
            3ML
            +
            3.108%,
            Series
            D
            Sterling
            Bancorp,
59,724
            6.50%,564,769 *
            Series
            A
            SunTrust
            Banks,
            Inc., 3,938,507 * 5.875%,
156,166
            Series
            E
            US
            Bancorp,
            6.50%
            to
            01/15/22
216,000
            then 6,077,398
                           *(1)
            3ML
            +
            4.468%,
            Series
            F
            Valley
            National
            Bancorp,
            5.50%
            to
           09/30/22 4,266,900
165,000
                            *(1)
            then
            3ML
            +
            3.578%,
            Series
            В
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PORTFOLIO OF INVESTMENTS (Continued)

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Shares/\$

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Value
Par
Preferred Securities
— (Continued)
           Banking —
           (Continued)
             Wells Fargo & Company:
             5.625%,
             Sesses, 383, 910
 55,000
             Y
             5.85%
             to
             09/15/23
             then
                                 *(1)
 339,095
             3ML9,060,618
             +
             3.09%,
             Series
             Q
             5.875%
             to
             06/15/25
             then
                                 *(1)
$ 3,000,000
             3ML3,193,140
             3.99%,
             Series
             6.625%
             to
             03/15/24
             then
                                 *(1)
 402,925
             3ML11,148,935
             3.69%,
             Series
             R
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7.50%
  1,353
              ,
Series 1,725,075
              L
              7.98%
              to
              06/15/18
              then
                                  *(1)
$ 16,314,000 3ML 16,599,495
              3.77%,
              Series
              K
              8.00%,
                                  *(1)
  550,500
              Seried 4,329,515
              J
              Westpac
              Banking
              Corporation,
              5.00%
$ 6,700,000
              09/21/27 6,412,801
                                  **(1)(2)
              then
              ISDA5
              +
              2.888%
              Zions Bancorporation:
              6.30%
              to
              03/15/23
              then
  20,000
              3ML537,402
              4.24%,
              Series
              G
              7.20%
              to
              09/15/23
              then
                                  *(1)
$ 9,000,000
              3ML9,945,000
              4.44%,
              Series
              J
                   718,717,006
Financial Services — 1.0%
              AerC2p768,600
                                 (2)
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\$ 2,540,000

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Global
              Aviation
              Trust,
              6.50%
              to
              06/15/25
              then
              3ML
              +
              4.30%,
              06/15/45,
              144A****
              Charles Schwab Corporation:
              5.95%,
  13,600
              Serie$59,041
              D
              6.00%,
                                  *(1)
  176,400
              Series, 664, 422
              \mathbf{C}
              E*TRADE
              Financial
              Corporation,
              5.30%
              to
              03/15/23 2,574,000
$ 2,600,000
              then
              3ML
              +
              3.16%,
              Series
              В
              General
              Motors
              Financial
              Company,
              5.75%
              to
$ 2,625,000
              09/3022568,050
              then
              3ML
              3.598%,
              Series
              A
                   13,034,113
Insurance — 20.1%
  612,382
              Allstalt6,191,809
                                  *(1)
              Corporation,
              6.625%,
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Series
              Ε
               Aon
              Corporation 8.205% 8.15
$ 718,000
                                    (1)
              01/01/27
               Arch Capital Group, Ltd.:
               5.25%,
  67,000
               Series, 574,500
                                    **(2)
               Ε
               5.45%,
                                    **(2)
               Seried, 366, 735
  56,500
               F
               Aspen Insurance Holdings
              Ltd.:
                                    **(2)
  65,962
               5.6251/629,261
               5.95%
              to
              07/01/23
                                    **(2)
  65,830
              then 1,745,858
               3ML
               +
               4.06%
               AXA
               SA,
               6.379%
               to
               12/14/36 3,861,975
                                    **(1)(2)
$ 3,315,000
               then
               3ML
               +
               2.256%,
               144A****
               Axis
               Capital
               Holdings
                                    **(2)
  52,191
               Ltd., 1,269,285
               5.50%,
               Series
               Ε
              Chubb
              Ltd.:
               Ace
              Capital
Trust 6,814,755
$ 4,566,000
                                    (1)(2)
              II,
               9.70%
               04/01/30
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Delphi
               Financial
               Group,
               3ML<sub>16,841,750</sub>
  732,250
                                   (1)
               3.19%,
               5.0288\%^{(5)}
               05/15/37
               Everest
               Reinsurance
               Holdings,
              3ML<sub>9,990,393</sub>
$ 10,158,000
                                   (1)
               2.385%,
               4.2238%(5)
               05/15/37
               Hartford
               Financial
               Services
               Group,
               Inc.,
               7.875%
  50,000
               to 1,491,500
               04/15/22
               then
               3ML
               +
               5.596%,
               04/15/42
               Liberty
               Mutual
               Group
7.80%0,669,330
$ 24,634,000
                                   (1)
               03/15/37,
               144A****
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PORTFOLIO OF INVESTMENTS (Continued)

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Shares/\$ Par	Value	
Preferred Securities — (Continued) Insurance — (Continued)		
	MetLife, Inc.:	
\$ 18,250,000	9.25% 04\$\\$25\$\\$95,625 144A****	(1)
\$ 17,895,000	10.75% 08/01739 ^{676,737}	(1)
\$ 2,250,000	MetLife Capital Trust IV, 2,891,250 7.875% 12/15/37, 144A****	(1)
	PartnerRe Ltd.:	
140,000	5.875%, Serie 3 ,588,200 I	**(1)(2)
36,394	6.50%, Serie957,526 G	**(1)(2)
475,799	7.25%, Serie\$3,146,326 H	**(1)(2)
	Prudential Financial, Inc.:	
\$ 4,906,000	5.625% 81,962 to 06/15/23 then 3ML + 3.92%,	(1)

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06/15/43
              5.875%
              to
              09/15/22
              then 3ML 4,192,500
$ 3,900,000
                                 (1)
              4.175%,
              09/15/42
              QBE
              Insurance
              Group
              Ltd.,
              7.50%
              to
$ 21,757,000 11/24243748,588
                                 (1)(2)
              then
              SW10
              +
              6.03%,
              11/24/43,
              144A****
              Unum
              Group:
              Provident
              Financing
20,953,200
Trust
$ 18,380,000
                                 (1)
              I,
              7.405%
              03/15/38
              W.R.
              Berkley
  144,335
              Corp3rat14r935
                                 (1)
              5.75%
              06/01/56
              XL Group Limited:
              Catlin
              Insurance
              Company
              Ltd.,
$ 8,000,000
              3ML7,880,000
                                 (1)(2)
              2.975%,
              4.7142\%^{(5)},
              144A****
$ 33,000,000 XL 31,556,250
                                 (1)(2)
              Capital
              Ltd.,
              3ML
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```
2.4575%,
              4.1790\%^{(5)},
              Series
              Ε
                   267,448,265
Utilities — 9.3%
              Commonwealth
              Edison:
              COMED
$ 16,798,000 Finank7,9273,860
                                  (1)
              III,
              6.35%
              03/15/33
              Dominion
              Energy,
              Inc.,
  810,000
              5.25%9,723,581
                                  (1)
              07/30/76,
              Series
               Α
              DTE Energy Company:
              5.375%
              06/01/76
Series 4,042,584
  164,000
                                  (1)
              В
              6.00%
               12/15/76
Series 1,469,605
  55,000
              F
              Emera,
              Inc.,
              6.75%
              to
              06/15/26
              then 3ML 13,569,550
$ 12,170,000
                                  (1)(2)
               5.44%,
              06/15/76,
               Series
              2016A
              Georgia05,588
  127,200
              Power
              Company,
               5.00%
               10/01/77,
               Series
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2017A
              Indianapolis
              Power
              Light<sup>10,208,737</sup>
  98,800
              Company,
              5.65%
              Integrys
              Energy
              Group,
              Inc.,
              6.00%
              12,403,975
08/01/23
  463,700
                                  (1)
              then
              3ML
              +
              3.22%,
              08/01/73
              NextEra
              Energy:
              FPL
              Group
              Capital,
              Inc.,
$ 16,293,000 3ML15,855,701
                                  (1)
              2.125%,
              3.7135\%^{(5)}
              06/15/67,
              Series
              \mathbf{C}
              PECO
              Energy:
              PECO
              Energy
              Capital
$ 2,386,000
              Trust2,732,085
                                  (1)
              III,
              7.38%
              04/06/28,
              Series
              D
$ 12,190,000 PPL 12,159,525
                                  (1)
              Corp:
              PPL
              Capital
              Funding,
              Inc.,
```

```
3ML
             +
             2.665%,
             4.3584\%^{(5)}
             03/30/67,
             Series
             A
             Puget
             Sound
             Energy,
             Inc.,
             3ML
$ 9,102,000
             + 9,033,735
                               (1)
             2.53%,
             4.0106\%^{(5)}
             06/01/67,
             Series
              Α
             Southern
             California
             Edison:
             SCE
             Trust
             V,
             5.45%
  70,000
             to 1,830,948
                                *(1)
             03/15/26
             then
             3ML
             +
             3.79%,
             Series
             K
                  124,109,474
```

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Flaherty & Crumrine Preferred Securities Income Fund Incorporated

PORTFOLIO OF INVESTMENTS (Continued)

February 28, 2018 (Unaudited)

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Shares/$
                     Value
Par
Preferred
Securities —
(Continued)
           Energy —
           5.6%
              DCP
              Midstream
              LLC,
              5.85%
              to
              05/21/23
then 2,390,775
$ 2,510,000
              3ML
              3.85%,
              05/21/43,
              144A****
              DCP
              Midstream
              LP,
              7.375%
              to
              12/15/22 6,518,531
$ 6,450,000
                                  (1)
              then
              3ML
              5.148%,
              Series
$ 6,200,000
              Enbrid 29,3,000
                                  (1)(2)
              Inc.,
              6.00%
              to
              01/15/27
              then
              3ML
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+
               3.89%,
              01/15/77
              Enbridge
              Energy
              Partners
              LP,
$ 38,198,000 3ML38,293,495
                                  (1)
               3.7975%,
               5.4917%(5)
               10/01/37
              Enterprise Products
              Operating L.P.:
              3ML
              3.7075%,
$ 1,471,000
              5.4809,965,484
              08/01/66,
              Series
               A
              5.25%
              to
              08/16/27
              then
              <sup>3ML</sup><sub>3,579,750</sub>
$ 3,700,000
              3.033%,
              08/16/77,
               Series
              Ε
              NuStar
              Logistics
              LP,
              3ML<sub>4,919,234</sub>
  191,783
              6.734%,
              8.4555%(5)
              01/15/43
              Transcanada Pipelines,
              Ltd.:
                                   (1)(2)
$ 4,000,000
              5.30%,037,500
              03/15/27
              then
               3ML
               3.208%,
              03/15/77,
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Series
               2017-A
               5.875%
              to
              08/15/26
              then
              <sup>3ML</sup><sub>7,542,500</sub>
$ 7,000,000
                                   (1)(2)
              4.64%,
              08/15/76,
               Series
               2016-A
                    75,040,269
Real Estate Investment Trust (REIT) —
0.5%
               Annaly
               Capital
               Management,
               Inc.,
               6.95%
              to
  19,210
              09/30424,871
              then
               3ML
               +
               4.993%,
               Series
               F
              National Retail Properties,
              Inc.:
               5.20%,
  20,064
               Series 63,278
              F
               5.70%,
  181,849
               Series 4,460,065
                                   (1)
              Ε
              PS Business Parks, Inc.:
               5.20%,
  37,673
               Serie 908,673
               W
               5.70%,
  20,727
               Serie$13,822
               V
               5.75%,
  6,756
               Series 67,481
               U
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6,988,190

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Miscellaneous Industries — 2.9%
              BHP
              Billiton
              Limited:
              BHP
              Billiton
              Finance
              U.S.A.,
              Ltd., 2,843,750 6.75%
                                  (2)
$ 2,500,000
              to
              10/19/25
              then
              SW5
              +
              5.093%,
              10/19/75,
              144A****
              General
              Electric
              Company,
              5.00%
              01/21/21 6,895,543
                                  *(1)
$ 6,974,000
              then
              3ML
              +
              3.33%,
              Series
              D
              Land O' Lakes, Inc.:
              7.25%,
              Series
8,828,250
$ 7,900,000
              144A****
              8.00%,
              Series 10,758,750
                                  *(1)
$ 9,500,000
              A,
              144A****
              Ocean
              Spray
              Cranberries
8,908,900
  97,900
              Inc.,
              6.25%,
              144A****
                   38,235,193
              Total1,243,572,510
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Preferred

Securities

(Cost \$1,200,528,025) Flaherty & Crumrine Preferred Securities Income Fund Incorporated

PORTFOLIO OF INVESTMENTS (Continued)

February 28, 2018 (Unaudited)

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Shares/$
                    Value
Par
Corporate
Debt
Securities§ —
4.9%
         Banking —
         1.9%
              Regions
              Financial
              Corporation,
$ 3,077,000
              7.3$5%,076,917
                                     (1)
              12/10/37,
              Sub
              Notes
              Texas
              Capital
              Bancshares
              Inc., 6.50% 20,868,522
  806,700
                                     (1)
              09/21/42,
              Sub
              Notes
              Zions
              Bancorporation,
              6.95%
              to
              09/15/23
             then 731,248
  25,000
              3ML
              3.89%,
              09/15/28,
              Sub
              Notes
                    25,676,687
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Financial Services — 0.1%

B. Riley Financial 385,349 15,000 Inc., 7.50% 05/31/27 Lehman Brothers, Guaranteed Note, 65,219 (3)(4)++ \$ 4,726,012 5.843%, 12/16/16,144A**** 450,568 **Insurance** — **1.4**% Liberty Mutual Insurance 7.697% 18,566,668 \$ 13,500,000 (1) 10/15/97, 144A**** 18,566,668 **Energy** — 0.6% Energy Transfer Partners - 8,431,115 \$ 6,717,000 (1) LP, 8.25% 11/15/29 8,431,115 **Communication** — 0.5% **Qwest Corporation:** 6.50% 09/01/56 758,946 127,729 6.75% 06/15/57 155,921 7.00% 04/01/52,491 2,300 6,340,370 Miscellaneous Industries — 0.4% eBay, Inc., 6.00% 1,004,397 38,000 02/01/56 (1) \$ 3,550,000 Pulte 4,286,625 Group, Inc.,

7.875%

06/15/32

5,291,022

Total

Corporate

Debt64,756,430 **Securities**

(Cost

\$55,848,543)

Common Stock — 0.2%

Banking — **0.2**%

CIT

Group2,903,957 54,740

Inc.

2,903,957

Insurance — 0.0%

WMI

Holdings 311,841 Corporation, 241,737

*†

144A****

311,841

Total

Common

Stock 3,215,798

(Cost

\$23,031,471)

PORTFOLIO OF INVESTMENTS (Continued)

February 28, 2018 (Unaudited)

Shares/\$ Value

Money Market Fund — 1.0%

> BlackRock Liquidity

Funds:

13,778,141 T-Fund. \$ 13,778,141

Institutional Class

Total Money Market

Fund 13,778,141

(Cost \$13,778,141)

Total Investments (Cost \$1,293,186,180***) 99.5 % 1,325,322,879

Other Assets And Liabilities (Net) 0.5 % 6,957,579

Total Managed Assets 100.0 % \$\pm\$ 1,332,280,458

Loan Principal Balance (449,575,000)

Total Net Assets Available To Common Stock \$ 882,705,458

[§]Date shown is maturity date unless referencing the end of the fixed-rate period of a fixed-to-floating rate security.

^{*}Securities eligible for the Dividends Received Deduction and distributing Qualified Dividend Income.

^{**}Securities distributing Qualified Dividend Income only.

^{***}Aggregate cost of securities held.

****Securities exempt from registration under Rule 144A of the Securities Act of 1933. These securities may be resold in transactions exempt from registration to qualified institutional buyers. At February 28, 2018, these securities amounted to \$333,078,949 or 25.0% of total managed assets.

(1)All or a portion of this security is pledged as collateral for the Fund's loan. The total value of such securities was \$792,198,367 at February 28, 2018.

(2)Foreign Issuer.

(3) Level 3, illiquid security (designation is unaudited; see Note 2: Additional Accounting Standards).

(4) Valued at fair value as determined in good faith by or under the direction of the Board of Directors as of February 28, 2018.

(5)Represents the rate in effect as of the reporting date.

†Non-income producing.

††The issuer has filed for bankruptcy protection. As a result, the Fund may not be able to recover the principal invested and also does not expect to receive income on this security going forward.

‡The percentage shown for each investment category is the total value of that category as a percentage of total managed assets.

ABBREVIATIONS:

3ML — 3-Month ICE LIBOR USD A/360

ISDA5 — 5-year USD ICE Swap Semiannual 30/360

SW5 — 5-year USD Swap Semiannual 30/360

SW10 — 10-year USD Swap Semiannual 30/360

T10Y — Federal Reserve H.15 10-Yr Constant Maturity Treasury Semiannual yield

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE TO COMMON STOCK(1)

For the period from December 1, 2017 through February 28, 2018 (Unaudited)

Value OPERATIONS:

Net investment,920,645 income Net realized gain/(loss) on invest(r412441391) sold during the period Change in net unrealited 72,990 appreciation/(depreciation) of investments Net decrease assets (2,287,136) resulting from operations **DISTRIBUTIONS:** Dividends paid from net investment income (15,574,459) to Common Stock

Shareholders⁽²⁾

Total Distributions to Common (15,574,459) Stock **Shareholders FUND SHARE** TRANSACTIONS: Increase from shares issued under the the 838,921 Dividend Reinvestment and Cash Purchase Plan Net increase in net assets available common 838,921 Stock resulting from **Fund** share transactions **NET DECREASE** IN **NET ASSETS** AVAII ABLE TO \$(17,022,674) **COMMON STOCK FOR**

THE period

NET ASSETS AVAILABLE TO **COMMON** STOCK: Beginning of \$ 899,728,132 period Net decrease in assets (17,022,674) during the period End 882,705,458 of \$ period

⁽¹⁾These tables summarize the three months ended February 28, 2018 and should be read in conjunction with the Fund's audited financial statements, including notes to the financial statements, in its Annual Report dated November 30, 2017.

(2) May include income earned, but not paid out, in prior fiscal year.

Financial Highlights⁽¹⁾

For the period December 1, 2017 through February 28, 2018 (Unaudited) For a Common Stock share outstanding throughout the period

PER SHARE OPERATING PERFORMANCE: Net asset value, beginning 20.35 period **INVESTMENT OPERATIONS:** Net investments1 income Net realized and unrealize 0.36) gain/(loss) on investments Total from investment (0.05) operations **DISTRIBUTIONS** TO **COMMON STOCK SHAREHOLDERS:** From net investment (0.35) income

Total

distributions

(0.35)

)

to Common Stock Shareholders Net asset value, 19.95 end of period Market value, end \$ 19.20 of period Common Stock shares outstanding,252,635 end of period **RATIOS TO AVERAGE NET ASSETS AVAILABLE** TO COMMON **STOCK SHAREHOLDERS:** Net investment32 %* income† Operating expenses including.01 %* interest expense Operating expenses excludin@.85 %* interest expense

SUPPLEMENTAL

DATA:

††

Portfolio

turnover2 %**

rate

Total managed assets, end 1,332,280 of period (in 000's) Ratio of operating expenses including interest expense 1.34 %* average total managed assets Ratio of operating expenses excluding interest expense 0.56 %* average total managed assets

⁽¹⁾These tables summarize the three months ended February 28, 2018 and should be read in conjunction with the Fund's audited financial statements, including notes to the financial statements, in its Annual Report dated November 30, 2017.

†The net investment income ratio reflects income net of operating expenses, including interest expense.

††Information presented under heading Supplemental Data includes loan principal balance.

^{*}Annualized.

^{**}Not annualized.

Financial Highlights (Continued)

Per Share of Common Stock (Unaudited)

	Total Dividends Paid	Net Asset Value	NYSE Closing Price	Dividend Reinvestment Price ⁽¹⁾
December 29, 2017	\$0.1190	\$20.33	\$20.46	\$20.33
January 31, 2018	0.1190	20.11	18.71	18.94
February 28, 2018	0.1140	19.95	19.20	19.26

⁽¹⁾Whenever the net asset value per share of the Fund's Common Stock is less than or equal to the market price per share on the reinvestment date, new shares issued will be valued at the higher of net asset value or 95% of the then current market price. Otherwise, the reinvestment shares of Common Stock will be purchased in the open market.

Notes to Financial Statements (Unaudited)

1.Aggregate Information for Federal Income Tax Purposes

At February 28, 2018, the aggregate cost of securities for federal income tax purposes was \$1,331,182,492, the aggregate gross unrealized appreciation for all securities in which there was an excess of value over tax cost was \$90,476,862 and the aggregate gross unrealized depreciation for all securities in which there was an excess of tax cost over value was \$96,336,475.

2. Additional Accounting Standards

Fair Value Measurements: The Fund has analyzed all existing investments to determine the significance and character of all inputs to their fair value determination. The levels of fair value inputs used to measure the Fund's investments are characterized into a fair value hierarchy. Where inputs for an asset or liability fall into more than one level in the fair value hierarchy, the investment is classified in its entirety based on the lowest level input that is significant to that investment's valuation. The three levels of the fair value hierarchy are described below:

Level 1 – quoted prices in active markets for identical securities

Level 2 – other significant observable inputs (including quoted prices for similar securities, interest rates, prepayment speeds, credit risk, etc.)

Level 3 – significant unobservable inputs (including the Fund's own assumptions in determining the fair value of investments)

The inputs or methodology used for valuing securities are not necessarily an indication of the risk associated with investing in those securities. Transfers in and out of levels are recognized at market value at the end of the period.

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Notes to Financial Statements (Unaudited) (Continued)

A summary of the inputs used to value the Fund's investments as of February 28, 2018 is as follows:

	Total Value at February 28, 2018	Level 1 Quoted Price	Level 2 Significant Observable Inputs	Level 3 Significant Unobservable Inputs
Preferred Securities				
Banking	\$718,717,006	\$624,841,724	\$93,871,772	\$3,510
Financial Services	13,034,113	10,265,513	2,768,600	_
Insurance	267,448,265	144,760,259	122,688,006	_
Utilities	124,109,474	71,757,082	52,352,392	_
Energy	75,040,269	34,355,999	40,684,270	_
Real Estate Investment Trust (REIT)	6,988,190	6,988,190	_	_
Miscellaneous Industries	38,235,193	9,739,293	28,495,900	_
Corporate Debt Securities				
Banking	25,676,687	21,599,770	4,076,917	_
Financial Services	450,568	385,349	_	65,219
Insurance	18,566,668	_	18,566,668	_
Energy	8,431,115	_	8,431,115	_
Communication	6,340,370	6,340,370	_	_
Miscellaneous Industries	5,291,022	1,004,397	4,286,625	_
Common Stock				
Banking	2,903,957	2,903,957	_	_
Insurance	311,841	311,841	_	_
Money Market Fund	13,778,141	13,778,141	_	_
Total Investments	\$1,325,322,879	\$949,031,885	\$376,222,265	\$68,729

During the reporting period, securities with an aggregate market value of \$18,614,778 were transferred into Level 2 from Level 1. The securities were transferred due to a decrease in the quantity and quality of the information related to trading activity or broker quotes for these securities. During the period, there were no transfers into Level 1 from Level 2. During the reporting period, there were no transfers into or out of Level 3.

The fair values of the Fund's investments are generally based on market information and quotes received from brokers or independent pricing services that are approved by the Board of Directors and are unaffiliated with the Adviser. To assess the continuing appropriateness of security valuations, management, in consultation with the Adviser, regularly compares current prices to prior prices, prices across comparable securities, actual sale prices for securities in the

Fund's portfolio, and market information obtained by the Adviser as a function of being an active market participant.

Securities with quotes that are based on actual trades or actionable bids and offers with a sufficient level of activity on or near the measurement date are classified as Level 1. Securities that are priced using quotes derived from implied values, indicative bids and offers, or a limited number of actual trades—or the same information for securities that are similar in many respects to those being valued—are classified as Level 2. If market information is not available for securities being valued, or materially-comparable securities, then those securities are classified as Level 3. In considering market information, management evaluates changes in liquidity, willingness of a broker to execute at the quoted price, the depth and consistency of prices from pricing services, and the existence of observable trades in the market.

Notes to Financial Statements (Unaudited) (Continued)

The following is a reconciliation of Level 3 investments for which significant unobservable inputs were used to determine fair value:

	Total Investments	Preferred Securities	Corporate Debt Securities
	investments	Banking	Financial Services
Balance as of 11/30/17	\$97,085	\$3,510	\$93,575
Accrued discounts/premiums	_		
Realized gain/(loss)	_		
Change in unrealized appreciation/(depreciation)	(28,356)		(28,356)
Purchases			
Sales	_		
Transfer in			
Transfer out	_	_	_
Balance as of 02/28/18	\$68,729	\$3,510	\$65,219

For the three months ended February 28, 2018, total change in unrealized gain/(loss) on Level 3 securities still held at period-end and included in the change in net assets was \$(28,356).

The following table summarizes the valuation techniques used and unobservable inputs developed to determine the fair value of Level 3 investments:

Category	Fair Value at 02/28/18	Valuation Technique	Unobservable Input	Input Range (Wgt Avg)
Preferred Securities (Banking)	\$3,510	Bankruptcy recovery	Credit/Structure-specific recovery	0.00% - 0.02% (0.01%)
Corporate Debt Securities (Financial Services)	65,219	Bankruptcy recovery and market information	Credit/Structure-specific recovery	1% - 4% (1.4%)

The significant unobservable inputs used in the fair value measurement technique for bankruptcy recovery are based on recovery analysis that is specific to the security being valued, including the level of subordination and structural features of the security, and the current status of any bankruptcy or liquidation proceedings. Observable market trades in bankruptcy claims are utilized by management, when available, to assess the appropriateness of valuations, although the frequency of trading depends on the specific credit and seniority of the claim. Expected recoveries in bankruptcy by security type and industry do not tend to deviate much from historical recovery rates, which are very

low (sometimes zero) for preferred securities and more moderate for senior debt. Significant changes in these inputs would result in a significantly higher or lower fair value measurement.

Directors

R. Eric Chadwick, CFA Chairman of the Board

Morgan Gust

David Gale

Karen H. Hogan

Officers

R. Eric Chadwick, CFA Chief Executive Officer and President

Chad C. Conwell Chief Compliance Officer, Vice President and Secretary

Bradford S. Stone Chief Financial Officer, Vice President and Treasurer

Roger W. Ko Assistant Treasurer

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Linda M. Puchalski Assistant Treasurer

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Questions concerning your shares of Flaherty & Crumrine Preferred Securities Income Fund?

- •If your shares are held in a Brokerage Account, contact your Broker.
- •If you have physical possession of your shares in certificate form, contact the Fund's Transfer Agent —

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Item 2. Controls and Procedures.

(a)

The registrant's principal executive and principal financial officers, or persons performing similar functions, have concluded that the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 30a-3(c) under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "1940 Act") (17 CFR 270.30a-3(c))) are effective, as of a date within 90 days of the filing date of the report that includes the disclosure required by this paragraph, based on their evaluation of these controls and procedures required by Rule 30a-3(b) under the 1940 Act (17 CFR 270.30a-3(b)) and Rules 13a-15(b) or 15d-15(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (17 CFR 240.13a-15(b) or 240.15d-15(b)).

(b)

There were no changes in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rule 30a-3(d) under the 1940 Act (17 CFR 270.30a-3(d))) that occurred during the registrant's last fiscal quarter that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Item 3. Exhibits.

Certifications pursuant to Rule 30a-2(a) under the 1940 Act and Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 are attached hereto.

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.

(Registrant) Flaherty & Crumrine Preferred Securities Income Fund Incorporated

By (Signature and Title)* /s/ R. Eric Chadwick

R. Eric Chadwick, Chief Executive Officer and President

(Principal Executive Officer)

Date April 18, 2018

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/ R. Eric Chadwick

R. Eric Chadwick, Chief Executive Officer and President

(Principal Executive Officer)

Date April 18, 2018

By (Signature and Title)* /s/ Bradford S. Stone

Bradford S. Stone, Chief Financial Officer, Treasurer and Vice President

(Principal Financial Officer)

Date April 18, 2018

^{*} Print the name and title of each signing officer under his or her signature.