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Flaherty & Crumrine PREFERRED INCOME OPPORTUNITY FUND INC  
Form N-Q  
April 24, 2007

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

FORM N-Q

QUARTERLY SCHEDULE OF PORTFOLIO HOLDINGS OF REGISTERED  
MANAGEMENT INVESTMENT COMPANY

Investment Company Act file number 811-06495  
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FLAHERTY & CRUMRINE PREFERRED INCOME OPPORTUNITY FUND INCORPORATED  
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(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

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

Donald F. Crumrine  
Flaherty & Crumrine Incorporated  
301 E. Colorado Boulevard, Suite 720  
PASADENA, CA 91101  
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(Name and address of agent for service)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 626-795-7300  
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Date of fiscal year end: NOVEMBER 30, 2007  
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Date of reporting period: FEBRUARY 28, 2007  
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ITEM 1. SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS.

The Schedule(s) of Investments is attached herewith.

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FLAHERTY & CRUMRINE PREFERRED INCOME OPPORTUNITY FUND

To the Shareholders of the Flaherty & Crumrine Preferred Income Opportunity Fund ("PFO"):

During the Fund's first fiscal quarter ended February 28, 2007, the Fund performed well in choppy, but ultimately little-changed, fixed-income markets by earning a total return of 1.6% on its net asset value (NAV). These three months saw the Fund continue its recent strong performance.

Interest rates were unchanged to slightly higher over the quarter, as the Federal Reserve left the federal funds rate unchanged and long-term Treasury rates rose only slightly. Corporate credit spreads also ended the quarter little changed, while the Fund's interest-rate hedge had only a minimal impact. Both the recent quarter and trailing twelve-month periods delivered what the Fund is intended to produce - current income and stability of principal.

As you can see on the following pages detailing actual holdings in the Fund's portfolio, the Fund invests in a relatively small number of industries, including utilities and insurers, banks and other finance companies. In terms of the industries the Fund's assets are in, its portfolio is no different than the overall preferred securities market. Because of the preferred securities market's overall emphasis in financial services, a portfolio of preferred securities, including the Fund's, can be at risk if the U.S. economy goes into recession.

One important area of recent concern for the U.S. economy in general, and U.S. credit markets in particular, is subprime mortgage lending, which has experienced increasing default and delinquency rates in recent months. The numbers here are large in an absolute sense, but they are small relative to a \$13 trillion U.S. economy and to the mortgage market as a whole. Because of this, while we cannot entirely rule it out, we currently do not believe that problems in subprime mortgages will push the economy into recession.

The Fund holds no positions in securities issued by mortgage brokers or subprime specialty lenders. Nonetheless, many of the banks and insurance companies in which we have invested do have some exposure to subprime mortgages in their lending or investment portfolios. While we are examining these companies very closely, the lack of detailed disclosure about subprime mortgages makes it impossible for us to make definitive statements about the Fund's potential exposure to the problem. However, given what we now know and can infer about the companies in which we invest, we expect that EARNINGS (which flow to the companies' common shareholders) will be reduced at some of the companies we hold as a result of the problems in subprime lending. However, we currently do not expect that they will suffer losses large enough to cut meaningfully into CAPITAL (which support the debt and preferred securities owned by the Fund). Although we cannot rule out the possibility - despite our best judgment to the contrary - that some of the Fund's investments could be seriously affected, we do not currently see any serious subprime credit problems in the holdings of the Fund.

The Fund's website at [WWW.PREFERREDINCOME.COM](http://WWW.PREFERREDINCOME.COM) has more information about Fund performance and a more complete discussion of the state of the economy (in our First Quarter Economic Update) and of subprime mortgages and their potential impact on the economy and the Fund's portfolio (in the "Frequently Asked Questions" section). We encourage you to explore the website for a wide range of additional information about your Fund.

Sincerely,

/S/ DONALD F. CRUMRINE  
 Donald F. Crumrine  
 Chairman of the Board

/S/ ROBERT M. ETTINGER  
 Robert M. Ettinger  
 President

April 20, 2007

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 Flaherty & Crumrine Preferred Income Opportunity Fund Incorporated  
 PORTFOLIO OVERVIEW  
 FEBRUARY 28, 2007 (UNAUDITED)  
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FUND STATISTICS ON 02/28/07

Net Asset Value	\$	12.60
Market Price	\$	12.61
Premium		0.08%
Yield on Market Price		6.19%
Common Stock Shares Outstanding		11,700,433

INDUSTRY CATEGORIES % OF PORTFOLIO

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 [GRAPHIC OMITTED]  
 EDGAR REPRESENTATION OF DATA POINTS

Other	1%
Banks	25%
Utilities	35%
Insurance	19%
Financial Services	9%
Energy	7%
REITs	4%

MOODY'S RATINGS % OF PORTFOLIO

AAA	0.0%
AA	1.1%
A	17.6%
BBB	59.8%
BB	11.9%

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Not Rated	8.6%
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Below Investment Grade*	15.1%

\* BELOW INVESTMENT GRADE BY BOTH MOODY'S AND S&P.

TOP 10 HOLDINGS BY ISSUER	% OF PORTFOLIO
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Interstate Power & Light	5.0%
Liberty Mutual Group	4.5%
Xcel Energy	3.7%
Goldman Sachs	3.6%
RenaissanceRe Holdings	3.3%
First Republic Bank	3.0%
EOG Resources	3.0%
Cobank	2.9%
Public Storage	2.9%
Capital One Financial	2.8%

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

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PORTFOLIO OF INVESTMENTS  
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PREFERRED SECURITIES -- 94.0%

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BANKING -- 24.7%

\$	3,000,000	Astoria Capital Trust I, 9.75% 11/01/29 Capital Security, Series B.....
		Auction Pass-Through Trust, Cl. B:
	9	Series 2006-5, Variable Rate Pfd., 144A****.....
	9	Series 2006-6, Variable Rate Pfd., 144A****.....
		Banco Santander:
	160,000	6.50% Pfd., 144A****.....
	62,400	6.80% Pfd., 144A****.....
\$	1,000,000	Barclays Bank PLC, 6.278% Pfd.....
	19,648	Citizens Funding Trust I, 7.50% Pfd. 09/15/66.....
		Cobank, ACB:
	45,000	7.00% Pfd., 144A****.....
	75,000	7.814% Pfd., 144A****.....
\$	500,000	Comerica (Imperial) Capital Trust I, 9.98% 12/31/26 Capital Security, Series B...
	4,500	FBOP Corporation, Adj. Rate Pfd., 144A****.....
\$	2,250,000	First Hawaiian Capital I, 8.343% 07/01/27 Capital Security, Series B.....
		First Republic Bank:
	200,000	6.25% Pfd.....
	5,000	6.70% Pfd.....
	640	First Republic Preferred Capital Corporation, 10.50% Pfd., 144A****.....
	22,500	First Republic Preferred Capital Corporation II, 8.75% Pfd., Series B, 144A****..
	5,000	Fleet Capital Trust VIII, 7.20% Pfd. 03/15/32.....
\$	4,349,000	GreenPoint Capital Trust I, 9.10% 06/01/27 Capital Security.....
		HBOS Capital Funding LP:
\$	3,500,000	6.85% Pfd.....
\$	250,000	6.413% Pfd., 144A****.....
	5,000	HSBC Series II, Variable Inverse Pfd., Pvt.....
	2,500	HSBC USA, Inc., \$2.8575 Pfd.....
	12,000	Keycorp Capital VIII, 7.00% Pfd. 06/15/66.....
	25,000	Keycorp Capital IX, 6.75% Pfd. 12/15/66.....
	5,000	National City Capital Trust II, 6.625% Pfd. 11/15/36.....
\$	1,500,000	North Fork Capital Trust I, 8.70% 12/15/26 Capital Security.....
	16,000	PFGI Capital Corporation, 7.75% Pfd.....
\$	650,000	RBS Capital Trust B, 6.80% Pfd.....
	10	Roslyn Real Estate, 8.95% Pfd., Series C, 144A****.....
	70,500	Sovereign Bancorp, 7.30% Pfd., Series C.....
	20,375	Sovereign Capital Trust V, 7.75% Pfd. 05/22/36.....
	6,000	USB Capital XI, 6.60% Pfd. 09/15/66.....

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PREFERRED SECURITIES -- (CONTINUED)

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FINANCIAL SERVICES -- 8.6%

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36,500	Cabco Trust For Goldman Sachs Capital I, Adj. Rate Pfd. 02/15/34, Series GS.....
\$ 1,000,000	CIT Group Inc, 6.10% Pfd.....
	Goldman Sachs Group, Inc.:
25	Pass-Through Certificates, Class B, 144A****.....
3,500	STRIPES Custodial Receipts, Pvt.....
3,000	Merrill Lynch Series II STRIPES Custodial Receipts, Pvt.....
47,000	Morgan Stanley Capital Trust VI, 6.60% Pfd.....
94,150	SLM Corporation, 6.97% Pfd., Series A.....

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INSURANCE -- 16.5%

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20,000	ACE Ltd., 7.80% Pfd., Series C.....
\$ 500,000	AMBAC Financial Group, Inc., 6.15% Pfd., 02/15/37.....
\$ 3,500,000	AON Capital Trust A, 8.205% 01/01/27 Capital Security.....
	Arch Capital Group Ltd.:
10,000	7.875% Pfd., Series B.....
4,400	8.00% Pfd.....
\$ 2,500,000	AXA SA 6.463% Pfd. Series 144A****.....
	Axis Capital Holdings:
73,950	7.25% Pfd., Series A.....
12,750	7.50% Pfd., Series B.....
22,300	Berkley W.R. Capital Trust II, 6.75% Pfd. 07/26/45.....
37,100	Endurance Specialty Holdings, 7.75% Pfd.....
13,750	Everest Re Capital Trust II, 6.20% Pfd., Series B.....
\$ 1,250,000	Glen Meadow Pass Through, 6.505% Pfd., Capital Security 144A****.....
\$ 5,000,000	Liberty Mutual Group, 7.80%, 03/15/37, 144A****.....
175,000	Principal Financial Group, 6.518% Pfd.....
\$ 511,000	Provident Financing Trust I, 7.405% 03/15/38 Capital Security.....
\$ 4,000,000	Renaissancere Capital Trust, 8.54% 03/01/27 Capital Security, Series B.....
25,000	Renaissancere Holdings Ltd., 6.08% Pfd., Series C.....
100,000	Renaissancere Holdings Ltd., 6.60% Pfd., Series D.....
115,500	Scottish Re Group Ltd., 7.25% Pfd.....
\$ 560,000	USF&G Capital, 8.312% 07/01/46 Capital Security, 144A****.....
22,850	XL Capital Ltd., 8.00% Pfd., Series A.....

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PREFERRED SECURITIES -- (CONTINUED)  
 UTILITIES -- 33.8%

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	Alabama Power Company:
4,980	4.60% Pfd.....
6,485	4.72% Pfd.....
868	4.92% Pfd.....
6,579	Baltimore Gas & Electric Company, 6.70% Pfd., Series 1993.....
10,000	Calenergy Capital Trust III, 6.50% Pfd. 09/01/27.....
1,628	Central Hudson Gas & Electric Corporation, 4.35% Pfd., Series D, Pvt.....
3,798	Central Maine Power Company, 4.75% Pfd.....
8,339	Central Vermont Public Service Corporation, 8.30% Sinking Fund Pfd., Pvt.....
	Connecticut Light & Power Company:
2,050	4.50% Pfd., Series 1956.....
10,000	4.50% Pfd., Series 1963, Pvt.....
25,000	5.28% Pfd., Series 1967.....
883	\$2.04 Pfd., Series 1949.....
2,900	\$2.20 Pfd., Series 1949.....
9,652	\$3.24 Pfd.....
2,000	Consolidated Edison Company of New York, 4.65% Pfd., Series C.....
7,500	Dayton Power and Light Company, 3.90% Pfd., Series C.....
23,000	Dominion CNG Capital Trust I, 7.80% 10/31/41 Capital Security.....
\$ 1,500,000	Dominion Resources Capital Trust III, 8.40% 01/15/31 Capital Security.....
15,030	Duquesne Light Company, 3.75% Pfd.....
	Entergy Arkansas, Inc.:
2,840	4.56% Pfd.....
3,050	4.56% Pfd., Series 1965.....
1,435	6.08% Pfd.....
90,000	6.45% Pfd.....
2,441	Entergy Gulf States, Inc., 7.56% Pfd.....
36,000	Entergy Louisiana, Inc., 6.95% Pfd.....
	Entergy Mississippi, Inc.:
4,616	4.36% Pfd.....
5,000	4.92% Pfd.....
4,400	Florida Power Company, 4.75% Pfd.....
128,500	FPC Capital I, 7.10% Pfd., Series A.....
101,000	FPL Group Capital, Inc., 6.60% Pfd. 10/01/66, Series A.....
8,900	Georgia Power, 6.125% Pfd.....
	Great Plains Energy, Inc.:
1,625	4.20% Pfd.....
2,000	4.35% Pfd.....

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 UTILITIES -- (CONTINUED)

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Hawaiian Electric Company, Inc.:

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	2,471	5.00% Pfd., Series D.....
	7,438	5.00% Pfd., Series E.....
	1,383	5.00% Pfd., Series I.....
	30,500	Indianapolis Power & Light Company, 5.65% Pfd.....
	340,000	Interstate Power & Light Company, 8.375% Pfd., Series B.....
	2,588	New York State Electric & Gas, \$4.50 Pfd., Series 1949.....
		Ohio Power Company:
	3,018	4.20% Pfd.....
	1,251	4.40% Pfd.....
		Pacific Enterprises:
	13,680	\$4.36 Pfd.....
	24,985	\$4.50 Pfd.....
	15,730	\$4.75 Pfd., Series 53.....
		Pacific Gas & Electric Co.:
	7,600	4.50% Pfd., Series H.....
	41,500	5.00% Pfd., Series D.....
	83,000	5.00% Pfd., Series E.....
		PacifiCorp:
	5,672	\$4.56 Pfd.....
	6,708	\$4.72 Pfd.....
	8,750	\$7.48 Sinking Fund Pfd.....
	1,250	PECO Energy Company, \$4.30 Pfd., Series B.....
\$	1,500,000	PECO Energy Capital Trust III, 7.38% 04/06/28 Capital Security, Series D.....
	12,748	Portland General Electric, 7.75% Sinking Fund Pfd.....
	14,020	Public Service Electric & Gas Company, 5.28% Pfd., Series E.....
	70,210	San Diego Gas & Electric Company, \$1.70 Pfd.....
		South Carolina Electric & Gas Company:
	13,974	5.125% Purchase Fund Pfd., Pvt.....
	7,774	6.00% Purchase Fund Pfd., Pvt.....
		Southern California Edison:
	5,000	4.24% Pfd.....
	11,300	6.00% Pfd.....
		Southern Union Company:
\$	700,000	7.20% 11/01/66, Capital Security.....
	51,750	7.55% Pfd.....
\$	750,000	TXU Electric Capital V, 8.175% 01/30/37 Capital Security.....

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PREFERRED SECURITIES -- (CONTINUED)  
 UTILITIES -- (CONTINUED)  
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		Union Electric Company:
	5,700	4.56% Pfd.....
	10,156	\$7.64 Pfd.....
		Virginia Electric & Power Company:



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1,665	\$4.04 Pfd.....
2,470	\$4.20 Pfd.....
1,673	\$4.80 Pfd.....
3,878	\$6.98 Pfd.....
12,500	\$7.05 Pfd.....
24,200	Virginia Power Capital Trust, 7.375% Pfd. 07/30/42.....
2,262	Washington Gas & Light Company, \$4.25 Pfd.....
13,863	Wisconsin Power & Light Company, 6.20% Pfd.....
	Xcel Energy, Inc.:
15,000	\$4.08 Pfd., Series B.....
20,040	\$4.10 Pfd., Series C.....
35,510	\$4.11 Pfd., Series D.....
17,750	\$4.16 Pfd., Series E.....
10,000	\$4.56 Pfd., Series G.....

OIL AND GAS -- 4.4%

8,000	Devon Energy Corporation, 6.49% Pfd., Series A.....
6,125	EOG Resources, Inc., 7.195% Pfd., Series B.....
\$ 1,200,000	KN Capital Trust III, 7.63% 04/15/28 Capital Security.....
10,000	Lasmo America Limited, 8.15% Pfd., 144A****.....

REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUST (REIT) -- 3.7%

	BRE Properties, Inc.:
12,600	6.75% Pfd., Series D.....
18,900	8.08% Pfd., Series B.....
10,000	Equity Office Property Trust, 7.75% Pfd., Series G.....
1,000	Equity Residential Properties, 8.29% Pfd., Series K.....

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PREFERRED SECURITIES -- (CONTINUED)

REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUST (REIT) -- (CONTINUED)

	Public Storage, Inc.:
129,575	6.45% Pfd., Series F.....
38,600	6.625% Pfd., Series M.....
2,900	6.75% Pfd., Series E.....
79,900	7.25% Pfd., Series K.....
20,000	Realty Income Corp., 6.75% Pfd., Series E.....

MISCELLANEOUS INDUSTRIES -- 2.0%

13,600	E.I. Du Pont de Nemours and Company, \$4.50 Pfd., Series B.....
35,000	Ocean Spray Cranberries, Inc., 6.25% Pfd., 144A****.....
26,000	Touch America Holdings, \$6.875 Pfd.....

U.S. GOVERNMENT SECURITIES -- 0.3%

4,450	Federal National Mortgage Association, 4.75% Series M.....
10,600	Federal Home Loan Mortgage, Adj. Rate Pfd., Series B.....

TOTAL PREFERRED SECURITIES  
(Cost \$192,203,958) .....

CORPORATE DEBT SECURITIES -- 6.2%  
INSURANCE -- 2.6%

\$ 900,000	Farmers Exchange Capital, 7.20% 07/15/48, 144A****.....
\$ 4,417,000	Liberty Mutual Insurance, 7.697% 10/15/97, 144A****.....

UTILITIES -- 1.2%

\$ 1,000,000	Duquesne Light Holdings, 6.25% 08/15/35.....
10,000	Entergy Louisiana LLC, 7.60% 04/01/32.....
	Southern Union Company:
\$ 750,000	7.60% 02/01/24, Senior Notes.....
\$ 500,000	8.25% 11/15/29, Senior Notes.....

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CORPORATE DEBT SECURITIES -- (CONTINUED)  
OIL AND GAS -- 2.2%

\$ 2,450,000	KN Energy, Inc., 7.45% 03/01/98.....
97,900	Nexen, Inc., 7.35% Subordinated Notes.....

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	MISCELLANEOUS -- 0.2%
15,000	AT&T Inc., 6.375% 02/15/56 .....
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	TOTAL CORPORATE DEBT SECURITIES
	(Cost \$12,858,312) .....
COMMON STOCK -- 0.1%	
	BANKING -- 0.1%
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15,000	New York Community Bancorp, Inc.....
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	TOTAL COMMON STOCK
	(Cost \$246,408) .....
OPTION CONTRACTS -- 0.1%	
1,400	June Put Options on June U.S. Treasury Bond Futures, Expiring 05/25/07.....
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	TOTAL OPTION CONTRACTS
	(Cost \$601,808) .....
MONEY MARKET FUND -- 0.3%	
685,665	BlackRock Provident Institutional, TempFund.....
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	TOTAL MONEY MARKET FUND
	(Cost \$685,665) .....

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 PORTFOLIO OF INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)  
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TOTAL INVESTMENTS (Cost \$206,596,151***) .....	100.7%
OTHER ASSETS AND LIABILITIES (Net) .....	(0.7)%
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TOTAL NET ASSETS AVAILABLE TO COMMON AND PREFERRED STOCK.....	100.0%+
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MONEY MARKET CUMULATIVE PREFERRED(TM) STOCK (MMP(R)) REDEMPTION VALUE.....	
TOTAL NET ASSETS AVAILABLE TO COMMON STOCK.....	

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Flaherty & Crumrine Preferred Income Opportunity Fund Incorporated  
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE TO COMMON STOCK(1)  
FOR THE PERIOD FROM DECEMBER 1, 2006 THROUGH FEBRUARY 28, 2007 (UNAUDITED)  
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OPERATIONS:

Net investment income.....  
Net realized gain/(loss) on investments sold during the period.....  
Change in net unrealized appreciation/depreciation of investments held  
during the period.....  
Distributions to MMP(R)\* Shareholders from net investment income,  
including changes in accumulated undeclared distributions .....

NET INCREASE IN NET ASSETS RESULTING FROM OPERATIONS.....

DISTRIBUTIONS:

Dividends paid from net investment income to Common Stock Shareholders(2).....  
  
TOTAL DISTRIBUTIONS TO COMMON STOCK SHAREHOLDERS.....

FUND SHARE TRANSACTIONS:

Increase from shares issued under the Dividend Reinvestment  
and Cash Purchase Plan.....  
  
NET INCREASE IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE TO COMMON STOCK RESULTING FROM  
FUND SHARE TRANSACTIONS.....

NET INCREASE IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE TO COMMON STOCK  
FOR THE PERIOD .....

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NET ASSETS AVAILABLE TO COMMON STOCK:

Beginning of period.....  
Net increase in net assets during the period.....  
  
End of period.....

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 FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS(1)  
 FOR THE PERIOD FROM DECEMBER 1, 2006 THROUGH FEBRUARY 28, 2007 (UNAUDITED)  
 FOR A COMMON STOCK SHARE OUTSTANDING THROUGHOUT THE PERIOD.  
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PER SHARE OPERATING PERFORMANCE:

Net asset value, beginning of period.....

INVESTMENT OPERATIONS:

Net investment income.....

Net realized and unrealized gain/(loss) on investments.....

DISTRIBUTIONS TO MMP(R)\* SHAREHOLDERS:

From net investment income.....

From net realized capital gains.....

Total from investment operations.....

DISTRIBUTIONS TO COMMON STOCK SHAREHOLDERS:

From net investment income.....

From net realized capital gains.....

Total distributions to Common Stock Shareholders.....

Net asset value, end of period.....

Market value, end of period.....

Common Stock shares outstanding, end of period.....

RATIOS TO AVERAGE NET ASSETS AVAILABLE TO COMMON STOCK SHAREHOLDERS:

Net investment income+.....

Operating expenses.....

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 SUPPLEMENTAL DATA:++

Portfolio turnover rate.....

Total net assets available to Common and Preferred Stock, end of period (in 000's).....

Ratio of operating expenses to total average net assets available to

Common and Preferred Stock .....

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 FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS (CONTINUED)  
 PER SHARE OF COMMON STOCK (UNAUDITED)  
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TOTAL DIVIDENDS PAID	NET ASSET VALUE	NYSE CLOSING PRICE
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December 31, 2006.....	\$0.0650	\$12.39	\$12.36
January 31, 2007.....	0.0650	12.42	12.39
February 28, 2007.....	0.0650	12.60	12.61

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 Flaherty & Crumrine Preferred Income Opportunity Fund Incorporated  
 NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (UNAUDITED)  
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1. AGGREGATE INFORMATION FOR FEDERAL INCOME TAX PURPOSES

At February 28, 2007, the aggregate cost of securities for federal income tax purposes was \$206,731,009, the aggregate gross unrealized appreciation for all securities in which there is an excess of value over tax cost was \$16,334,630 and the aggregate gross unrealized depreciation for all securities in which there is an excess of tax cost over value was \$4,209,357.

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DIRECTORS

Donald F. Crumrine, CFA  
 Chairman of the Board  
 David Gale  
 Morgan Gust  
 Karen H. Hogan  
 Robert F. Wulf, CFA

OFFICERS

Donald F. Crumrine, CFA  
 Chief Executive Officer  
 Robert M. Ettinger, CFA  
 President  
 R. Eric Chadwick, CFA  
 Chief Financial Officer,  
 Vice President and Treasurer  
 Chad C. Conwell  
 Chief Compliance Officer,  
 Vice President and Secretary  
 Bradford S. Stone  
 Vice President and  
 Assistant Treasurer  
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 Assistant Treasurer and  
 Assistant Secretary

INVESTMENT ADVISER

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QUESTIONS CONCERNING YOUR SHARES OF FLAHERTY &  
 CRUMRINE PREFERRED INCOME OPPORTUNITY FUND?  
 o If your shares are held in a Brokerage

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- Account, contact your Broker.
- o If you have physical possession of your shares in certificate form, contact the Fund's Transfer Agent & Shareholder Servicing Agent --  
PFPC Inc.  
P.O. Box 43027  
Providence, RI 02940-3027  
1-800-331-1710

THIS REPORT IS SENT TO SHAREHOLDERS OF FLAHERTY & CRUMRINE PREFERRED INCOME OPPORTUNITY FUND INCORPORATED FOR THEIR INFORMATION. IT IS NOT A PROSPECTUS, CIRCULAR OR REPRESENTATION INTENDED FOR USE IN THE PURCHASE OR SALE OF SHARES OF THE FUND OR OF ANY SECURITIES MENTIONED IN THIS REPORT.

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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.

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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 INCOME OPPORTUNITY FUND INCORPORATED

By (Signature and Title)\* /S/ DONALD F. CRUMRINE

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Donald F. Crumrine, Director, Chairman of the Board and  
Chief Executive Officer  
(principal executive officer)

Date APRIL 23, 2007  
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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/ DONALD F. CRUMRINE

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Donald F. Crumrine, Director, Chairman of the Board and  
Chief Executive Officer  
(principal executive officer)

Date APRIL 23, 2007  
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By (Signature and Title)\* /S/ R. ERIC CHADWICK

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R. Eric Chadwick, Chief Financial Officer, Treasurer and  
Vice President  
(principal financial officer)

Date APRIL 23, 2007  
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\* Print the name and title of each signing officer under his or her signature.