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Flaherty & Crumrine PREFERRED INCOME OPPORTUNITY FUND INC Form N-PX August 23, 2010

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

FORM N-PX

ANNUAL REPORT OF PROXY VOTING RECORD OF REGISTERED MANAGEMENT INVESTMENT COMPANY

Investment Company Act file number 811-06495

Flaherty & Crumrine Preferred Income Opportunity 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)

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

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

Date of fiscal year end: November 30

Date of reporting period: July 1, 2009 - June 30, 2010

Form N-PX is to be used by a registered management investment company, other than a small business investment company registered on Form N-5 (Sections 239.24 and 274.5 of this chapter), to file reports with the Commission, not later than August 31 of each year, containing the registrant's proxy voting record for the most recent twelve-month period ended June 30, pursuant to section 30 of the Investment Company Act of 1940 and rule 30b1-4 thereunder (17 CFR 270.30b1-4). The Commission may use the information provided on Form N-PX in its regulatory, disclosure review, inspection, and policymaking roles.

A registrant is required to disclose the information specified by Form N-PX, and the Commission will make this information public. A registrant is not required to respond to the collection of information contained in Form N-PX unless the Form displays a currently valid Office of Management and Budget ("OMB") control number. Please direct comments concerning the accuracy of the information collection burden estimate and any suggestions for reducing the burden to the Secretary, Securities and Exchange Commission, 100 F Street, NE, Washington, DC 20549. The OMB has reviewed this collection of information under the clearance requirements of 44 U.S.C. Section 3507.

PROXY VOTING RECORD

FOR PERIOD JULY 1, 2009 TO JUNE 30, 2010

FORM N-PX SPREADSHEET*

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REGISTRANT NAME: Flaherty & Crumrine Preferred Income

Opportunity Fund Incorporated

Issuer

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INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT FILE NUMBER: 811 - 06495

Solicit additional proxies if needed for scheme

Approve scheme of arrangement proposal

REPORTING PERIOD: 07/01/2009 - 06/30/2010

REGISTRANT ADDRESS: 301 E. Colorado Boulevard, Suite 720,

Pasadena, California 91101

NAME OF SERIES (AS APPLICABLE):

XL CAPITAL

Ticker Symbol: XL CUSIP/Security ID: 98372PAJ7

Meeting Date: 4/30/2010

AGAINST
PROPOSAL, OR
ABSTAIN; FOR
WHETHER OR WITHHOLD
WHO PROPOSED FUND CAST REGARDING
MATTER: ISSUER / VOTE ON ELECTION OF
SHAREHOLDER MATTER DIRECTORS

Yes

Yes

FUND'S VOTE FOR OR

Against

Against

FUND'S VOTE FOR OR

._____

XCEL ENERGY

Ticker Symbol: XEL CUSIP/Security ID: 98389B308

Meeting Date: 5/19/2010

SUMMARY OF MATTER VOTED ON

AGAINST PROPOSAL, OR ABSTAIN; FOR WHETHER OR WITHHOLD WHO PROPOSED FUND CAST REGARDING MATTER: ISSUER / VOTE ON ELECTION OF SHAREHOLDER DIRECTORS SUMMARY OF MATTER VOTED ON MATTER _____ _____ Approve directors Issuer Yes For Approval of perf. Measures under incentive plan Issuer Yes For Incl. nonemployee drctors under '05 incentive plan Issuer Yes For Issuer Approve auditor Yes For Security Holder Yes Against Annual advisory vote on executive comp

SIGNATURES

^{*} Complete for each series of the Registrant, as applicable.

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Pursuant to the requirements of 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

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

Date 8/20/2010

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