PREFERRED INCOME OPPORTUNITY FUND INC

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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

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 Inc. 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, 2004

Date of reporting period: AUGUST 31, 2004

Form N-Q is to be used by management investment companies, other than small business investment companies registered on Form N-5 (ss.ss. 239.24 and 274.5 of this chapter), to file reports with the Commission, not later than 60 days after the close of the first and third fiscal quarters, pursuant to rule 30b1-5 under the Investment Company Act of 1940 (17 CFR 270.30b1-5). The Commission may use the information provided on Form N-Q in its regulatory, disclosure review, inspection, and policymaking roles.

A registrant is required to disclose the information specified by Form N-Q, and the Commission will make this information public. A registrant is not required to respond to the collection of information contained in Form N-Q 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, 450 Fifth Street, NW, Washington, DC 20549-0609. The OMB has reviewed this collection of information under the clearance requirements of 44 U.S.C. ss. 3507.

ITEM 1. SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS.
The Schedule of Investments is attached herewith.

Flaherty & Crumrine Preferred Income Opportunity Fund Incorporated PORTFOLIO OF INVESTMENTS AUGUST 31, 2004 (UNAUDITED)

SHARES/\$ PAR

PREFERRED SECURITIES -- 93.7%

BANKING -- 23.6%

	ABN AMRO North America, Inc.:
1,165	6.46% Pfd., 144A***
3,500	6.59% Pfd., 144A***
\$150,000	BT Capital Trust B, 7.90% 01/15/27, Capital Security
\$660,000	BT Preferred Capital Trust II, 7.875% 02/25/27 Capital Security
	Citigroup, Inc.:
82 , 435	5.864% Pfd., Series M
7,700	6.213% Pfd., Series G
46,000	6.231% Pfd., Series H
31,850	6.365% Pfd., Series F
	Cobank, ACB:
45,000	7.00% Pfd., 144A***
75 , 000	Adj. Rate Pfd., 144A***
\$500,000	Comerica (Imperial) Capital Trust I, 9.98% 12/31/26 Capital Security, Series B .
\$2,250,000	First Hawaiian Capital I, 8.343% 07/01/27 Capital Security, Series B
\$719 , 000	First Union Institutional Capital I, 8.04% 12/01/26 Capital Security
\$1,885,000	First Union Institutional Capital II, 7.85% 01/01/27 Capital Security
\$4,349,000	GreenPoint Capital Trust I, 9.10% 06/01/27 Capital Security
9,900	HSBC USA, Inc., \$2.8575 Pfd
	J.P. Morgan Chase & Co.:
36,500	6.625% Pfd., Series H
132,425	Series A, Adj. Rate Pfd
\$1,350,000	Keycorp Institutional Capital B, 8.25% 12/15/26 Capital Security
\$1,500,000	North Fork Capital Trust I, 8.70% 12/15/26 Capital Security

FINANCIAL SERVICES -- 13.4%

_____ Flaherty & Crumrine Preferred Income Opportunity Fund Incorporated PORTFOLIO OF INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED) AUGUST 31, 2004 (UNAUDITED) SHARES/\$ PAR PREFERRED SECURITIES -- (CONTINUED) INSURANCE -- 7.8% 15,850 Everest Re Capital Trust II, 6.20% Pfd. Series B \$4,395,000 MMI Capital Trust I, 7.625% 12/15/27 Capital Security, Series B 18 Premium Assets, Series A, Zurich RegCaPS Variable Inverse Pfd., Pvt. \$5,734,000 Provident Financing Trust I, 7.405% 03/15/38 Capital Security Zurich RegCaPS Funding Trust: 2,600 6.01% Pfd., 144A*** 1,600 6.58% Pfd., 144A*** UTILITIES -- 41.4% ______ Alabama Power Company: 4,980 4.60% Pfd. 6,485 4.72% Pfd. 225,000 5.30% Pfd. 2,049 Appalachian Power Company, 5.92% Sinking Fund Pfd. 23,750 Avista Corporation, \$6.95 Sinking Fund Pfd., Series K 6,000 Baltimore Gas & Electric Company, 6.70% Pfd., Series 1993 10,000 Boston Edison Company, 4.78% Pfd. 1,628 Central Hudson Gas & Electric Corporation, 4.35% Pfd., Series D, Pvt. 8,160 Central Illinois Public Service Company, 4.90% Pfd. 22,238 Central Vermont Public Service Corporation, 8.30% Pvt. Sinking Fund Pfd. Connecticut Light & Power Company: 900 2,900 \$2.20 Pfd., Series 1949 8,502 \$3.24 Pfd. 2,000 Consolidated Edison Company of New York, 4.65% Pfd., Series C Duke Energy Corporation: 8,004 11,256 6.75%, Sinking Fund Pfd., Series X 34,943 7.85% Pfd., Series S Duquesne Light Company: 15,030 3.75% Pfd.

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Flaherty & Crumrine Preferred Income Opportunity Fund Incorporated PORTFOLIO OF INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)
AUGUST 31, 2004 (UNAUDITED)

SHARES/\$ PAR

PREFERRED SECURITIES -- (CONTINUED)

UTILITIES -- (CONTINUED)

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5,000	Energy East Capital Trust I, 8.25% Pfd
2,840	4.56% Pfd
3,050	4.56% Pfd., Series 1965
1,050	6.08% Pfd
13,500	7.40% Pfd
5,880	7.80% Pfd.
2,000	7.88% Pfd
23,914	\$1.96 Pfd
2,441	Entergy Gulf States, Inc., 7.56% Pfd
	Entergy Louisiana, Inc.:
299	5.16% Pfd
705	6.44% Pfd
4,074	7.36% Pfd
175,000	8.00% Pfd., Series 92
	Entergy Mississippi, Inc.:
3,791	4.36% Pfd
8,500	7.44% Pfd
10,900	Enterprise Capital Trust I, 7.44% Pfd., Series A
	Florida Power Company:
10,000	4.58% Pfd
2,000	4.75% Pfd
	Great Plains Energy, Inc.:
1,625	4.20% Pfd
2,000	4.35% Pfd
	Hawaiian Electric Company, Inc.:
1,411	5.00% Pfd., Series D
6,688	5.00% Pfd., Series E
\$3,750,000	Houston Light & Power, Capital Trust II, 8.257%, 02/01/37 Capital Security
5,291	Idaho Power Company, 7.68% Pfd., Series 1
8,000	Indiana Michigan Power Company, 6.875% Sinking Fund Pfd
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
12,265	Northern Indiana Public Service Company, Series A, Adj. Rate Pfd
•	Ohio Power Company:
3,018	4.20% Pfd
1,251	4.40% Pfd
1,724	5.90% Sinking Fund Pfd

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PORTFOLIO OF INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)
AUGUST 31, 2004 (UNAUDITED)

SHARES/\$ PAR

PREFERRED SECURITIES -- (CONTINUED) UTILITIES -- (CONTINUED)

_____ Pacific Enterprises: 13,680 \$4.50 Pfd. 24,985 \$4.75 Pfd., Series 53 15,730 PacifiCorp: 5,672 \$4.56 Pfd. 6,458 \$4.72 Pfd. 12,250 \$7.48 Sinking Fund Pfd. PECO Energy Company: 1,100 5,000 \$4.40 Pfd., Series C 19,209 Potomac Electric Power Company, \$3.40 Sinking Fund Pfd. 14,020 Public Service Electric & Gas Company, 5.28% Pfd., Series E San Diego Gas & Electric Company: 55,210 \$1.70 Pfd 34,000 \$1.7625 Sinking Fund Pfd. 60,000 Savannah Electric & Gas Company, 6.00% Pfd. South Carolina Electric & Gas Company: 14,226 5.125% Purchase Fund Pfd., Pvt. 7,774 60,000 Southern Union Company, 7.55% Pfd. \$750,000 TXU Electric Capital V, 8.175% 01/30/37 Capital Security 10,000 TXU US Holdings Company, \$4.00 Pfd., Series TES Virginia Electric & Power Company: 1,665 \$4.04 Pfd. 2,270 \$4.20 Pfd. 1,673 \$4.80 Pfd. 2,878 \$6.98 Pfd. 12,500 \$7.05 Pfd.

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Flaherty & Crumrine Preferred Income Opportunity Fund Incorporated PORTFOLIO OF INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)
AUGUST 31, 2004 (UNAUDITED)

SHARES/\$ PAR PREFERRED SECURITIES -- (CONTINUED) UTILITIES -- (CONTINUED) ______ 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 -- 4.8% ______ 6,650 Apache Corporation, 5.68% Pfd., Series B 10,000 Lasmo America Limited, 8.15% Pfd., 144A*** REAL ESTATE INVESTMENT TRUST (REIT) -- 1.0% ______ 40,000 Health Care Property Investments, 7.10% Pfd., REIT, Series F 40,000 Regency Centers Corporation, 7.25% Pfd., REIT MISCELLANEOUS INDUSTRIES -- 1.7% 13,600 E.I. Du Pont de Nemours and Company, \$4.50 Pfd., Series B TOTAL PREFERRED SECURITIES (Cost \$182,124,539) CORPORATE DEBT SECURITY -- 1.0% OIL AND GAS -- 1.0% ______ 85,900 Nexen, Inc., 7.35% Subordinated Notes TOTAL CORPORATE DEBT SECURITY (Cost \$2,245,426) ______ Flaherty & Crumrine Preferred Income Opportunity Fund Incorporated PORTFOLIO OF INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)

AUGUST 31, 2004 (UNAUDITED)

SHARES	/\$ PAR		
COMMON	STOCK A	ND CONVERTIBLE SECURITIES 4.2% INSURANCE 0.4%	
		UnumProvident Corporation, 8.25% Mandatory Convertible, 05/16/06	
		UTILITIES 3.8%	
	80,000	Duke Energy Corporation	
		TOTAL COMMON STOCK AND CONVERTIBLE SECURITIES (Cost \$8,266,366)	
OPTION		TS 0.1% October Put Options on December U.S. Treasury Bond Futures, Expiring 9/	25/04
		TOTAL OPTION CONTRACTS (Cost \$1,054,346)	
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SHARES,	/\$ PAR		
	960,933	UND 0.5% BlackRock Provident Institutional, TempFund	
		TOTAL MONEY MARKET FUND (Cost \$960,933)	
		ENTS (Cost \$194,651,610**) AND LIABILITIES (Net)	99.5% 0.5%
TOTAL	NET ASS	ETS AVAILABLE TO COMMON AND PREFERRED STOCK	100.0%
		CUMULATIVE PREFERRED STOCK(TM)(MMP(R)) REDEMPTION VALUE	
TOTAL	NET ASS	ETS AVAILABLE TO COMMON STOCK	

ABBREVIATIONS:

REIT -- Real Estate Investment Trust

PFD. -- Preferred Securities

PVT. -- Private Placement Securities

Capital Securities are treated as debt instruments for financial statement purposes and the amounts shown in the Shares/\$ Par column are dollar amounts of par value.

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)).
- 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 has materially affected, or is 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 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 OCTOBER 8, 2004

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 OCTOBER 8, 2004

By (Signature and Title) * /S/ R. ERIC CHADWICK

R. Eric Chadwick, Chief Financial Officer, Treasurer, Vice President and Secretary

(principal financial officer)

OCTOBER 8, 2004 Date ______

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