Flaherty & Crumrine PREFERRED SECURITIES INCOME FUND INC Form N-30B-2 April 27, 2018 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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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	44,252,635	

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

	% of
Portfolio Rating Guidelines	Net
	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†

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Top 10 Holdings by Issuer	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.

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
                                    **(1)(2)
$ 18,863,000
              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
             Η,
              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%
             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
              <sup>+</sup> 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
$ 5,243,000
              then 5,623,117
                                   **(1)(2)
              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
Preferred Securities
— (Continued)
           Banking —
           (Continued)
              Huntington
              Bancshares
             Inc.:
              5.700%
              to
             04/15/23
$ 5,854,375
$ 5,800,000
              3ML
              +
              2.88%,
              Series
             Ε
              6.25%,
              Serie$5,971,300 *(1)
  590,000
             D
              ING
             Groep, 7,755,000
                             **(2)
  300,000
              NV,
              6.375%
             JPMorgan Chase &
              Company:
             6.00%
             to
             08/01/23
             then
             3ML5,711,600 *(1)
$ 5,450,000
              3.30%,
              Series
              R
             6.1251% 4,94,806 *
  56,600
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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
            Ι
             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)

February 28, 2018 (Unaudited)

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
             3ML9,060,618
                                 *(1)
 339,095
             +
             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%
              ,
Series 1,725,075
  1,353
              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%
                                 (2)
$ 2,540,000
              AerC2p768,600
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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)

February 28, 2018 (Unaudited)

Shares/\$ Par	Value			
Preferred Securities — (Continued) Insurance — (Continued)				
	MetLife, Inc.:			
\$ 18,250,000	9.25% 04 \$ \ 23 \ 5 \ 5 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% 181,962 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.,
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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
              A
             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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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%,
              Series 67,481
  6,756
              U
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6,988,190

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

Preferred

Securities

(Cost \$1,200,528,025)

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Shares/\$ Value

Corporate
Debt
Securities§ —

4.9%

Banking
— 1.9%

Regions Financial

3,077,000 Corporation, 4,076,917 (1)

12/10/37, Sub

Notes

806,700 Texas Capital Bancshares I