

AMERO SCOTT
Form 4
April 25, 2008

FORM 4

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

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
AMERO SCOTT

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol
BLACKROCK PREFERRED
INCOME STRATEGIES FUND,
INC. [PSY]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
____ Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below)
Portfolio Manager

(Last) (First) (Middle)
40 EAST 52ND STREET
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
06/26/2007

4. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
X Form filed by One Reporting Person
____ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

NEW YORK, NY 10022

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock	06/26/2007		P		500	A	\$ 19.42	500	D
Common Stock	06/26/2007		P		1,000	A	\$ 19.43	1,500	D
Common Stock	10/01/2007		P		2,000	A	\$ 17.63	3,500	D
Common Stock	10/01/2007		P		2,500	A	\$ 17.64	6,000	D
Common Stock	10/03/2007		P		2,900	A	\$ 17.62	8,900	D

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Common Stock	10/03/2007	P	1,100	A	\$ 17.6	10,000	D
Common Stock	10/03/2007	P	1,000	A	\$ 17.61	11,000	D
Common Stock	10/04/2007	P	2,000	A	\$ 17.61	13,000	D
Common Stock	10/04/2007	P	2,000	A	\$ 17.63	15,000	D
Common Stock	10/04/2007	P	1,000	A	\$ 17.64	16,000	D
Common Stock	10/04/2007	P	1,000	A	\$ 17.62	17,000	D
Common Stock	10/04/2007	P	1,000	A	\$ 17.65	18,000	D
Common Stock	10/15/2007	P	1,000	A	\$ 17.36	19,000	D
Common Stock	10/15/2007	P	2,000	A	\$ 17.37	21,000	D
Common Stock	10/15/2007	P	3,000	A	\$ 17.45	24,000	D
Common Stock	10/15/2007	P	3,000	A	\$ 17.47	27,000	D
Common Stock	10/15/2007	P	11,000	A	\$ 17.48	38,000	D
Common Stock	10/16/2007	P	6,000	A	\$ 17.14	44,000	D
Common Stock	10/16/2007	P	2,000	A	\$ 17.13	46,000	D
Common Stock	10/16/2007	P	2,000	A	\$ 17.21	48,000	D
Common Stock	10/16/2007	P	2,000	A	\$ 17.24	50,000	D
Common Stock	10/16/2007	P	2,000	A	\$ 17.25	52,000	D
Common Stock	10/16/2007	P	2,000	A	\$ 17.26	54,000	D
Common Stock	10/16/2007	P	3,000	A	\$ 17.22	57,000	D
Common Stock	10/17/2007	P	2,000	A	\$ 17.16	59,000	D
	10/18/2007	P	10,000	A		69,000	D

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Common Stock						\$ 17.17		
Common Stock	10/18/2007	P	2,000	A	\$ 17.2	71,000	D	
Common Stock	10/18/2007	P	5,000	A	\$ 17.21	76,000	D	
Common Stock	10/18/2007	P	2,000	A	\$ 17.12	78,000	D	
Common Stock	10/18/2007	P	2,000	A	\$ 17.13	80,000	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 3)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other

AMERO SCOTT
40 EAST 52ND STREET
NEW YORK, NY 10022

Portfolio Manager

Signatures

/s/ Janey Ahn as
Attorney-in-Fact 04/25/2008

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

Remarks:

This is first of two Forms filed for this Issuer by the Reporting Person on the same date.

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