

AMERO SCOTT
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *			2. Date of Event Requiring Statement		3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	
Â AMERO SCOTT			(Month/Day/Year)		BLACKROCK PREFERRED INCOME STRATEGIES FUND, INC. [PSY]	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	10/01/2006		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer	
40 EAST 52ND STREET					5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	
(Street)					(Check all applicable)	
NEW YORK,Â NYÂ 10022					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)			___ Director ___ 10% Owner	
					X Form filed by One Reporting Person	
					___ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person	
					___ Officer ___X_ Other	
					(give title below) (specify below)	
					Portfolio Manager	

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	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	Â	Â	Â	Portfolio Manager

Signatures

/s/ Janey Ahn as
Attorney-in-Fact

04/25/2008

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

No securities are beneficially owned

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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).

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