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BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC  
Form 424B3  
March 21, 2001

PRICING SUPPLEMENT NO. 24A  
DATED: March 7, 2001  
(To Prospectus dated January 11, 2001,  
and Prospectus Supplement dated January 11, 2001)

Rule 424(b)(3)  
File No. 333-52902

\$9,015,893,162  
THE BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC.  
MEDIUM-TERM NOTES, SERIES B

Principal Amount: \$15,000,000      Floating Rate Notes       Book Entry Notes   
Original Issue Date: 3/12/2001      Fixed Rate Notes       Certificated Notes   
Maturity Date: 3/12/2002      CUSIP#: 073928TFO  
Option to Extend Maturity:      No   
   Yes       Final Maturity Date:

Redeemable On -----	Redemption Price(s) -----	Optional Repayment Date(s) -----	Optional Repayment Price(s) -----
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

Applicable Only to Fixed Rate Notes:  
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Interest Rate:  
Interest Payment Dates:

Applicable Only to Floating Rate Notes:  
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Interest Rate Basis:      Maximum Interest Rate: N/A  
[ ] Commercial Paper Rate      Minimum Interest Rate: N/A  
[ ] Federal Funds Rate      Interest Reset Date(s): \*  
[ ] Treasury Rate      Interest Reset Period: Semi-annually  
[ ] LIBOR Reuters      Interest Payment Date(s): \*\*  
[x] LIBOR Telerate  
[ ] Prime Rate  
[ ] CMT Rate  
Initial Interest Rate: 4.93%      Interest Payment Period: Semi-annually

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Index Maturity: Six Months

Spread (plus or minus): N/A

\* On September 12, 2001.

\*\* On September 12, 2001 and at Maturity.

The distribution of Notes will conform to the requirements set forth in Rule 2720 of the NASD Conduct Rules.