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(To Prospectus dated January 25, 2002,

and Prospectus Supplement dated January 25, 2002)

\$10,006,693,162

THE BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC. MEDIUM-TERM NOTES, SERIES B Principal Amount: \$115,000,000 Floating Rate Notes [x] Book Entry Notes [x] Original Issue Date: 4/2/2003 Fixed Rate Notes [ ] Certificated Notes [ ] Maturity Date: 4/2/2004 CUSIP#: 073928YZ0 Option to Extend Maturity: No [x] Yes [ ] Final Maturity Date: Optional Optional Redeemable On Price(s) Date(s) Price(s) Optional

Redeemable On Price(s) Date(s) Price(s) N/A N/A N/A N/A Applicable Only to Fixed Rate Notes: Interest Rate: Interest Payment Dates: Applicable Only to Floating Rate Notes: \_\_\_\_\_

Interest Rate Basis: Maximum Interest Rate: N/A

[ ] Commercial Paper Rate Minimum Interest Rate: N/A

[ ] Federal Funds Effective Rate

[ ] Federal Funds Open Rate Interest Reset Date(s): Daily

[ ] Treasury Rate Interest Reset Period: Daily

[ ] LIBOR Reuters Interest Payment Date(s): \*

[ ] LIBOR Telerate

[x] Prime Rate +

[ ] CMT Rate

Initial Interest Rate: 1.34% Interest Payment Period: Quarterly

Index Maturity: N/A

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Spread (plus or minus): -2.91%

- + Prime Rate as reported on Telerate Page 5 under the heading "Bank Rates/Prime."
- \* On the 2nd of July, October, January and at Maturity.

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