BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC Form 424B3 April 03, 2003 PRICING SUPPLEMENT NO. 66 Rule 424(b)(3) DATED: April 1, 2003 File No. 333-76894 (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: \$300,000,000 Floating Rate Notes [x] Book Entry Notes [x] Original Issue Date: 4/3/2003 Fixed Rate Notes [ ] Certificated Notes [ ] Maturity Date: 4/5/2004 CUSIP#: 073928ZA4 Option to Extend Maturity: No [x] Yes [ ] Final Maturity Date: Optional Optional Redemption Redeemable On Price(s) OptionalOptionalRepaymentRepaymentDate(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): \* [ ] Treasury Rate Interest Reset Period: Monthly Interest Payment Date(s): \*\* [ ] LIBOR Reuters [ x ] LIBOR Telerate [ ] Prime Rate [ ] CMT Rate Initial Interest Rate: 1.29% Interest Payment Period: Monthly Index Maturity: One Month Spread (plus or minus): -0.01%

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\* On the 5th of each month prior to Maturity.

\*\* On the 5th of each month and at Maturity.

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