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BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC  
Form 424B3  
March 20, 2001

PRICING SUPPLEMENT NO. 25  
DATED: March 15, 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: \$20,000,000 Floating Rate Notes  Book Entry Notes   
Original Issue Date: 3/20/2001 Fixed Rate Notes  Certificated Notes   
Maturity Date: 9/20/2002 CUSIP#: 073928TG8  
Option to Extend Maturity: No   
Yes  Final Maturity Date:

| Redeemable On<br>----- | Redemption<br>Price(s)<br>----- | Optional<br>Repayment<br>Date(s)<br>----- | Optional<br>Repayment<br>Price(s)<br>----- |
|------------------------|---------------------------------|---|--|
| 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       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial Paper Rate     | Minimum Interest Rate: N/A       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Federal Funds Rate        | Interest Reset Date(s): *        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Treasury Rate             | Interest Reset Period: Monthly   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> LIBOR Reuters             | Interest Payment Date(s): **     |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> LIBOR Telerate |                                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prime Rate                |                                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CMT Rate                  |                                  |
| Initial Interest Rate: 5.23%                       | Interest Payment Period: Monthly |
| Index Maturity: One Month                          |                                  |

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Spread (plus or minus): + 0.25%

\* On the 20th of each month prior to Maturity.

\*\* On the 20th 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.