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 Form 424B3
 February 27, 2002

PRICING SUPPLEMENT NO. 8
 DATED: February 22, 2002
 (To Prospectus dated January 25, 2002,
 and Prospectus Supplement dated January 25, 2002)

Rule 424(b)(3)
 File No. 333-76894

\$10,006,693,162
 THE BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC.
 MEDIUM-TERM NOTES, SERIES B

Principal Amount: \$20,000,000 Floating Rate Notes [] Book Entry Notes [x]

Original Issue Date: 2/27/2002 Fixed Rate Notes [x] Certificated Notes []

Maturity Date: 8/15/2013 CUSIP#: 073928WN9

Option to Extend Maturity: No [x]
 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:

Interest Rate: 0.00%

Interest Payment Date(s): N/A *

Applicable Only to Floating Rate Notes:

Interest Rate Basis:	Maximum Interest Rate:
[] Commercial Paper Rate	Minimum Interest Rate:
[] Federal Funds Effective Rate	
[] Federal Funds Open Rate	Interest Reset Date(s):
[] Treasury Rate	Interest Reset Period:
[] LIBOR Reuters	Interest Payment Date(s):
[] LIBOR Telerate	
[] Prime Rate	
[] CMT Rate	

Initial Interest Rate: Interest Payment Period:

Index Maturity:

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Spread (plus or minus):

* The principal amount of \$20,000,000 will be paid at Maturity.

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