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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 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Book Entry Notes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Original Issue Date: 3/20/2001	Fixed Rate Notes <input type="checkbox"/>	Certificated Notes <input type="checkbox"/>
Maturity Date: 9/20/2002	CUSIP#: 073928TG8	
Option to Extend Maturity:	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	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
<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.