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BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC  
Form 424B3  
March 21, 2001

PRICING SUPPLEMENT NO. 26  
DATED: March 19, 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: \$10,000,000 Floating Rate Notes  Book Entry Notes   
Original Issue Date: 3/20/2001 Fixed Rate Notes  Certificated Notes   
Maturity Date: 3/20/2002 CUSIP#: 073928TH6  
Option to Extend Maturity: No   
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:

Interest Payment Dates:

Applicable Only to Floating Rate Notes:

Interest Rate Basis:

- Commercial Paper Rate
- Federal Funds Rate
- Treasury Rate
- LIBOR Reuters
- LIBOR Telerate
- Prime Rate
- CMT Rate

Maximum Interest Rate: N/A

Minimum Interest Rate: N/A

Interest Reset Date(s): Daily

Interest Reset Period: Daily

Interest Payment Date(s): \*

Initial Interest Rate: 5.3675%

Interest Payment Period: Quarterly

Index Maturity: N/A

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Spread (plus or minus): + 0.18%

\* On the 20th of June, September, December and at Maturity.

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