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Form 424B3
February 04, 2004

PRICING SUPPLEMENT NO. 12
DATED: January 30, 2004
(To Prospectus dated November 17, 2003,
and Prospectus Supplement dated November 17, 2003)

Rule 424(b)(3)
File No. 333-109793

\$10,668,950,162
THE BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC.
Medium-Term Notes, Series B

Principal Amount: \$35,000,000 Floating Rate Notes Book Entry Notes
Original Issue Date: 2/4/2004 Fixed Rate Notes Certificated Notes
Maturity Date: 2/4/2008 CUSIP#: 073928D75
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:

<p>Interest Rate Basis:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Commercial Paper Rate</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Federal Funds Effective Rate</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Federal Funds Open Rate</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Treasury Rate</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> LIBOR Reuters</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> LIBOR Telerate</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Prime Rate</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> CMT Rate</p>	<p>Maximum Interest Rate: N/A</p> <p>Minimum Interest Rate: N/A</p> <p>Interest Reset Date(s): *</p> <p>Interest Reset Period: Quarterly</p> <p>Interest Payment Date(s): **</p>
<p>Initial Interest Rate: 1.33%</p>	<p>Interest Payment Period: Quarterly</p>
<p>Index Maturity: Three Months</p>	
<p>Spread (plus or minus): +0.20%</p>	

* On the 4th of each May, August, November and February prior to Maturity.

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** On the 4th of each May, August, November and February including the maturity date.

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