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BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC  
 Form 424B3  
 February 12, 2001

PRICING SUPPLEMENT NO. 15  
 DATED: February 7, 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: \$25,000,000 Floating Rate Notes [ ] Book Entry Notes [x]  
 Original Issue Date: 2/12/2001 Fixed Rate Notes [x] Certificated Notes [ ]  
 Maturity Date: 2/12/2003 CUSIP#: 073928SW4  
 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:  
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Interest Rate: 5.73%

Interest Payment Dates: \*

Applicable Only to Floating Rate Notes:  
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Interest Rate Basis: Maximum Interest Rate: N/A

[ ] Commercial Paper Rate Minimum Interest Rate: N/A

[ ] Federal Funds 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:

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Index Maturity:

Spread (plus or minus):

\*On 12th of August, February and at Maturity.

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