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[X] Prime Rate +

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November 16, 2001

PRICING SUPPLEMENT NO. 80

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(To Prospectus dated January 11, 2001, and Prospectus Supplement dated January 11, 2001)

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\$9,015,893,162
THE BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC.
MEDIUM-TERM NOTES, SERIES B

Original Issue Date: 11/16/2001		Fixed Rate Notes [] Certificated Notes []													
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Federal Funds Open Rate		:	<pre>Interest Reset Date(s): Daily</pre>												
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[] CMT Rate

Initial Interest Rate: 2.11% Interest Payment Period: Quarterly

Index Maturity: N/A

Spread (plus or minus): -2.89%

- + Prime Rate as reported on Telerate Page 5 under the heading "Bank Rates/Prime ".
- * 2/18/02, 5/16/02, 8/16/02 and 11/15/02

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