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Арш	PRICI DATED (To P	NG SUPPLEMENT NC : March 27, 200 rospectus dated	2002, January 25, 2002)			Rule 424(b)(3) File No. 333-76894		
	\$10,006,693,162 THE BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC. Medium-Term Notes, Series B							
	Princ	Principal Amount: \$25,000,000			Floating Rate Notes [x] Book Entry Notes [x]			
	Origi	nal Issue Date:	4/2/2002	Fixed Rate Notes []			Certificated Notes []	
	Maturity Date: 4/2/20 Option to Extend Matu Redeemable On 		03	3 CUSIP‡		#: 073928WU3		
			urity:	No Yes	o [x] es [] Final M		Maturity Date:	
			Redempti Price(s)	Rep Da	ional payment te(s)	Optional Repayment Price(s)	
			N/A		N/A		N/A	
		cable Only to Fi		d Rate Notes:				
	Inter Appli	Interest Rate: Interest Payment Dates: Applicable Only to Floating Rate Notes:						
	Interest Rate Basis: [] Commercial Paper Rat					Maximum Interest Rate: N/A		
			er Rate	Minimum Inte		uum Interes	rest Rate: N/A	
	 Federal Funds Effective F Federal Funds Open Rate Treasury Rate 			Rate	ate			
					<pre>Interest Reset Date(s): * Interest Reset Period: Monthly</pre>			
	[]	LIBOR Reuters		Interest P		est Paymen	Payment Date(s): **	
	[x] LIBOR Telerate							
	[]	Prime Rate						
	[]	CMT Rate						
	Initi	al Interest Rate	ate: 1.87875%		Inter	Interest Payment Period: Month		
	Index Maturity: One Month							
	Spread (plus or minus): N/A * On the 2nd of each month prior to Maturity.							

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** On the 2nd 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.