

BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**FARBER JEFFREY M**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC [BSC]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
**C/O BEAR, STEARNS & CO. INC., 383 MADISON AVENUE**  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**05/30/2008**

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 Controller

**NEW YORK, NY 10179**

(City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock	05/30/2008		D	3,911 D 0		D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares		
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	
CAP Units (2002)	(2)	05/30/2008		D		17		11/30/2007	11/30/2007 <sup>(3)</sup>	Common Stock	17
CAP Units (2003)	(2)	05/30/2008		D		2,492		11/30/2008	11/30/2008 <sup>(3)</sup>	Common Stock	2,492
CAP Units (2004)	(2)	05/30/2008		D		3,299		11/30/2009	11/30/2009 <sup>(6)</sup>	Common Stock	3,299
CAP Units (2005)	(2)	05/30/2008		D		3,617		11/30/2010	11/30/2010 <sup>(6)</sup>	Common Stock	3,617
CAP Units (2006)	(2)	05/30/2008		D		4,568		11/30/2011	11/30/2011 <sup>(6)</sup>	Common Stock	4,568
CAP Units 2007	(2)	05/30/2008		D		13,341		11/30/2007	11/30/2012 <sup>(6)</sup>	Common Stock	13,341
Emp. Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 73.75	05/30/2008		D		3,559		12/15/2006	12/15/2013	Common Stock	3,559
Emp. Stock Option (Rt. to Buy)	\$ 116.5	05/30/2008		D		3,931		12/22/2005	12/22/2015	Common Stock	3,931
Emp. Stock Option (rt. to buy)	\$ 165.32	05/30/2008		D		2,646		12/20/2006	12/20/2016	Common Stock	2,646
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 49.63	05/30/2008		D		2,719		12/11/2003	12/11/2010	Common Stock	2,719
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 56.88	05/30/2008		D		2,907		12/17/2004	12/17/2011	Common Stock	2,907

Buy)

Employee

Stock

Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 64	05/30/2008	D	3,000	11/30/2005	11/30/2012	Common Stock	3,000
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Employee

Stock

Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 102.65	05/30/2008	D	3,707	12/28/2004	12/28/2014	Common Stock	3,707
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## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
FARBER JEFFREY M C/O BEAR, STEARNS & CO. INC. 383 MADISON AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10179			Controller	

## Signatures

/s/ Farber, Jeffrey M.	06/02/2008
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**Signature of Reporting Person	Date
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## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Disposed of pursuant to the merger agreement between issuer and JPMorgan Chase & Co. in exchange for 850 shares of JPMorgan Chase common stock having a market value of \$9.35 per share on the effective date of the merger.
- (2) This type of derivative security typically does not have a conversion or exercise price
- (3) The shares of common stock underlying the CAP Units will be distributed on or about 11/30/2008
- (4) The CAP Units were converted in the merger into 3 CAP Units of JPMorgan Chase.
- (5) The CAP Units were converted in the merger into 542 CAP Units of JPMorgan Chase.
- (6) In connection with the merger, the deferral period for the CAP Units will be accelerated and the shares of common stock underlying the CAP Units will be distributed on or about 1/15/2009.
- (7) The CAP Units were converted in the merger into 717 CAP Units of JPMorgan Chase.
- (8) The CAP Units were converted in the merger into 786 CAP Units of JPMorgan Chase.
- (9) The CAP Units were converted in the merger into 993 CAP Units of JPMorgan Chase.
- (10) The CAP Units were converted in the merger into 2,902 CAP Units of JPMorgan Chase.
- (11) This option was converted in the merger into an option to purchase 774 shares of JPMorgan Chase common stock for \$339.03 per share.
- (12) This option was converted in the merger into an option to purchase 855 shares of JPMorgan Chase common stock for \$535.56 per share.

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- (13) This option was converted in the merger into an option to purchase 575 shares of JPMorgan Chase common stock for \$759.99 per share.
- (14) This option was converted in the merger into an option to purchase 591 shares of JPMorgan Chase common stock for \$228.13 per share.
- (15) This option was converted in the merger into an option to purchase 632 shares of JPMorgan Chase common stock for \$261.48 per share.
- (16) This option was converted in the merger into an option to purchase 652 shares of JPMorgan Chase common stock for \$294.21 per share.
- (17) This option was converted in the merger into an option to purchase 806 shares of JPMorgan Chase common stock for \$471.89 per share.

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