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BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC

Form 8-K August 14, 2002

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of The Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) August 14, 2002

THE BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC.

Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter

DELAWARE	File No. 1-8989	13-3286161		
(State or Other	(Commission File	(IRS Employer		
Jurisdiction of	Number)	Identification		
Incorporation)		Number)		

383 Madis	son	Avenue,	New	York,	New	York	-	101	79
(Address	of	Principa	al Ex	kecutiv	e Of	fices)	(Z:	ip	Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (212) 272-2000

Not Applicable

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

The information in this Current Report on Form 8-K, including the exhibits, is furnished pursuant to Item 9 and shall not be deemed "filed" for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or otherwise subject to the liabilities under that Section. Furthermore, the information in this Current Report on Form 8-K, including the exhibits, shall not be deemed to be incorporated by reference into the filings of The Bear Stearns Companies Inc. (the "Company") under the Securities Act of 1933.

- Item 7. Financial Statements, Pro Forma Financial Information and Exhibits
 - (a) Financial Statements of business acquired:
 Not applicable.
 - (b) Pro Forma financial information:

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Not applicable.

- (c) Exhibits:
 - (99) Press Release, dated August 14, 2002.
 - (99.1) Statement, dated August 13, 2002, of the principal executive officer of the Company regarding facts and circumstances relating to the Company's filings under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.
 - (99.2) Statement, dated August 13, 2002, of the principal financial officer of the Company regarding facts and circumstances relating to the Company's filings under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Item 9. Regulation FD Disclosure

On August 14, 2002, the principal executive officer and principal financial officer of the Company each submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission a written statement regarding facts and circumstances relating to the Company's filings under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 pursuant to Securities and Exchange Commission Order No. 4-460. The Company is furnishing under Item 9 of this Current Report on Form 8-K copies of such statements as Exhibits 99.1 and 99.2 hereto.

Signature

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

THE BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC.

By: /s/ Mark E. Lehman

Mark E. Lehman

Executive Vice President and

General Counsel

Dated: August 14, 2002

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