

BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC

Form 3/A

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**FORM 3 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**Washington, D.C. 20549**

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burden hours per  
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SECURITIES**Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,  
Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section  
30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting

Person \*

J P MORGAN CHASE &amp; CO

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

270 PARK AVENUE

(Street)

NEW YORK, NY 10017

(City)

(State)

(Zip)

2. Date of Event Requiring  
Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

04/07/2008

3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC [BSC]

4. Relationship of Reporting  
Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_X\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner

\_\_\_\_ Officer \_\_\_\_ Other  
(give title below) (specify below)5. If Amendment, Date Original  
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

04/15/2008

6. Individual or Joint/Group

Filing(Check Applicable Line)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting  
Person\_\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One  
Reporting Person**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**1. Title of Security  
(Instr. 4)2. Amount of Securities  
Beneficially Owned  
(Instr. 4)3. Ownership  
Form:  
Direct (D)  
or Indirect  
(I)  
(Instr. 5)4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial  
Ownership  
(Instr. 5)Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially  
owned directly or indirectly.

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currently valid OMB control number.****Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**1. Title of Derivative Security  
(Instr. 4)2. Date Exercisable and  
Expiration Date  
(Month/Day/Year)Date Expiration  
Exercisable Date3. Title and Amount of  
Securities Underlying  
Derivative Security  
(Instr. 4)Title Amount or  
Number of  
Shares4. Conversion  
or Exercise  
Price of  
Derivative  
Security5. Ownership  
Form of  
Derivative  
Security:  
Direct (D)  
or Indirect  
(I)  
(Instr. 5)6. Nature of Indirect  
Beneficial Ownership  
(Instr. 5)

\$10 million Daily Range Accrual Notes <sup>(4)</sup>	Â <sup>(1)</sup>	06/12/2008	see footnote <sup>(1)</sup>	<sup>(1)</sup>	\$ <sup>(1)</sup>	I	by subsidiary
\$4.998 million 18% Barrier Reverse Convertible Notes <sup>(4)</sup>	Â <sup>(2)(3)</sup>	09/10/2008	see footnote <sup>(2) (3)</sup>	<sup>(2) (3)</sup>	\$ <sup>(2) (3)</sup>	I	by subsidiary

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
J P MORGAN CHASE & CO 270 PARK AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10017	Â	Â X	Â	Â

## Signatures

/s/ Anthony J.  
Horan

04/28/2008

<sup>\*\*</sup>Signature of  
Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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) On the expiration date, the Reporting Person is currently obligated under the terms of the notes to deliver, for each 1,000,000 principal amount of notes, an amount of shares of the worst performing stock in a reference basket of four stocks, which currently includes Common Stock, determined by dividing the principal amount by the strike price of the worst performing stock. The strike price of Common Stock included in the basket is \$60.2875, which is 65% of the initial per share price of Common Stock (\$92.7500).

- (2) On the expiration date, the Reporting Person is obligated to deliver either (i) if the final value, as determined pursuant to the agreement governing the notes (the "Final Value") of each of the shares in the reference basket described below is equal to or greater than the initial value of such share, \$4.998 million, or (ii) if the Final Value of one or more of the reference stocks is less than the initial value of such share(s), the number of Reference Assets, as defined in the agreement governing the notes, for the worst performing of the reference shares. The reference basket currently consists of five stocks, one of which is Common Stock, but is subject to adjustment for certain merger and other reorganization type events. The Reference Asset amount is generally, for each \$9,996 principal amount of the notes, a number of shares of the reference issuer obtained by dividing 9996 by the initial price of the reference stock. [Continued in footnote 3]

- (3) [Continued from footnote 2] The notes bear interest at a rate of 36% per annum, payable in arrears. The initial per share price of Common Stock included in the reference basket is \$87.30.

- (4) These notes were inadvertently omitted from the Reporting Person's original Form 3.

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