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June 18, 2003

PRICING SUPPLEMENT NO. 15

Rule 424(b)(3)

DATED: June 13, 2003 +

File No. 333-104455

June 16, 2003++

(To Prospectus dated April 24, 2003,
and Prospectus Supplement dated April 24, 2003)

\$10,227,293,162

THE BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC.

Medium-Term Notes, Series B

Principal Amount: \$325,000,000 Floating Rate Notes Book Entry Notes

Original Issue Date: 6/18/2003 Fixed Rate Notes Certificated Notes

Maturity Date: 6/19/2006 CUSIP#: 073928ZZ9

Option to Extend Maturity: No
Yes Final Maturity Date:

| Redeemable On ----- | Redemption Price(s) ----- | Optional Repayment Date(s) ----- | Optional Repayment Price(s) ----- |
|------------------------|---------------------------------|---|--|
| N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A |

Applicable Only to Fixed Rate Notes:

Interest Rate:

Interest Payment Dates:

Applicable Only to Floating Rate Notes:

Interest Rate Basis: Maximum Interest Rate: N/A

Commercial Paper Rate Minimum Interest Rate: N/A

Federal Funds Effective Rate

Federal Funds Open Rate Interest Reset Date(s): *

Treasury Rate Interest Reset Period: Quarterly

LIBOR Reuters Interest Payment Date(s): **

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Prime Rate

CMT Rate

Initial Interest Rate: 1.31% Interest Payment Period: Quarterly

Index Maturity: Three Months

Spread (plus or minus): +0.25%

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- + \$175,000,000 was traded on June 13, 2003.
- ++ \$150,000,000 was traded on June 16, 2003.

- * On the 19th of each September, December, March and June prior to Maturity.
- ** On the 19th of each September, December, March and June, including the maturity date.

At February 28, 2003:

- o the Company had outstanding (on an unconsolidated basis) approximately \$37.4 billion of debt and other obligations, including approximately \$34.3 billion of unsecured senior debt and \$2.6 billion of unsecured inter-company debt; and

- o subsidiaries of the Company had outstanding (after elimination of inter-company items) approximately \$145.5 billion of debt and other obligations (including \$47.9 billion related to securities sold under repurchase agreements, \$52.9 billion related to payables to customers, \$26.4 billion related to financial instruments sold, but not yet purchased, and \$18.3 billion of other liabilities, including \$13.6 billion of debt).

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