

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 *
 NICKELL FRANK T

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 KELSO & COMPANY, 320 PARK AVENUE, 24TH FLOOR
 (Street)

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

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

NEW YORK, NY 10022

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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(City) (State) (Zip)

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)
			Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price
Common Stock	05/30/2008		D		33,501	D	0

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
Non-Emp. Dir. Stock Options (rt. to buy)	\$ 99.5	05/30/2008		D	188	08/28/2005 02/28/2015	Common Stock	188
non-emp. dir. stock options (rt. to buy)	\$ 99.07	05/30/2008		D	2,043	10/07/2005 04/07/2015	Common Stock	2,043
Non-Emp. Dir. Stock Options (Rt. to Buy)	\$ 77.27	05/30/2008		D	242	11/30/2003 05/31/2013	Common Stock	242
Non-Emp. Dir. Stock Options (Rt. to Buy)	\$ 69.98	05/30/2008		D	267	03/01/2004 08/29/2013	Common Stock	267
Non-Emp. Dir. Stock Options (Rt. to Buy)	\$ 72.46	05/30/2008		D	258	05/28/2004 11/28/2013	Common Stock	258
Non-Emp. Dir. Stock Options (Rt. to Buy)	\$ 87.84	05/30/2008		D	213	08/27/2004 02/27/2014	Common Stock	213
Non-Emp. Dir. Stock Options (Rt. to Buy)	\$ 87.68	05/30/2008		D	1,492	09/30/2004 03/31/2014	Common Stock	1,492
Non-Emp. Dir. Stock Options (Rt. to Buy)	\$ 81.06	05/30/2008		D	231	11/28/2004 05/28/2014	Common Stock	231
Non-Emp. Dir. Stock Options (rt. to buy)	\$ 87.92	05/30/2008		D	213	02/28/2005 08/31/2014	Common Stock	213
Non-Emp. Dir. Stock Options (rt. to buy)	\$ 97.58	05/30/2008		D	192	05/31/2005 11/30/2014	Common Stock	192
Non-Emp. Dir. Stock Options (Rt. to Buy)	\$ 100.5	05/30/2008		D	186	02/28/2006 08/31/2015	Common Stock	186

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Non-Emp. Dir. Stock Options (Rt. to buy)	\$ 110.99	05/30/2008	D	168	05/31/2006	11/30/2015	Common Stock	1
Non-Emp. Dir. Stock Options (Rt. to Buy)	\$ 134.44	05/30/2008	D	139	08/26/2006	02/28/2016	Common Stock	1
Non-Emp. Dir. Stock Options (Rt. to Buy)	\$ 142.37	05/30/2008	D	1,422	10/11/2006	04/11/2016	Common Stock	1,4
Non-Emp. Dir. Stock Options (rt. to buy)	\$ 133.75	05/30/2008	D	140	11/30/2006	05/31/2016	Common Stock	1
Non-Employee Director Restricted Stock Units	<u>2</u>	05/30/2008	D	669	09/26/2003	09/26/2003	Common Stock	6
Non-Employee Director Stock Option	\$ 41.5	05/30/2008	D	3,000	03/29/2001	03/15/2010	Common Stock	3,0
Non-Employee Director Stock Option	\$ 45.74	05/30/2008	D	3,000	03/30/2001	03/30/2011	Common Stock	3,0
Non-Employee Director Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 62.15	05/30/2008	D	2,051	09/27/2002	03/27/2012	Common Stock	2,0
Non-Employee Director Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 66.7	05/30/2008	D	1,911	09/26/2003	03/27/2013	Common Stock	1,9
Non-Employee Director Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 60.05	05/30/2008	D	312	11/30/2002	05/31/2012	Common Stock	3
Non-Employee Director Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 63.93	05/30/2008	D	293	02/28/2003	08/31/2012	Common Stock	29
Non-Employee Director Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 64	05/30/2008	D	292	05/30/2003	11/30/2012	Common Stock	29
Non-Employee Director Stock Options (right	\$ 62.64	05/30/2008	D	299	08/28/2003	02/28/2013	Common Stock	29

to buy)

Non-Emp. Dir. Restr. Stock Units	(2)	05/30/2008	D	517	09/30/2004	09/30/2004	Common Stock	5
non-emp. dir. restr. stock units	(2)	05/30/2008	D	701	10/07/2005	10/07/2005	Common Stock	7
Non-Emp. Dir. Restricted Stock Units	(2)	05/30/2008	D	483	10/11/2006	10/11/2006	Common Stock	4
non-emp. dir. restricted stock units	(2)	05/30/2008	D	506	10/18/2007	10/18/2007	Common Stock	5
Non-emp. dir. stock options (rt to buy)	\$ 99.04	05/30/2008	D	189	11/30/2005	05/31/2015	Common Stock	1
non-emp. dir. stock options (rt to buy)	\$ 157.02	05/30/2008	D	1,200	10/18/2007	04/18/2017	Common Stock	1,2

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
NICKELL FRANK T C/O KELSO & COMPANY 320 PARK AVENUE, 24TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10022	X			

Signatures

/s/ Nickell,
Frank T. 06/02/2008

**Signature of
Reporting Person Date

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 7,287 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 Restricted Stock Units were converted in the merger into 112 Restricted Stock Units of JPMorgan Chase.
- (4) The Restricted Stock Units were converted in the merger into 152 Restricted Stock Units of JPMorgan Chase.
- (5) The Restricted Stock Units were converted in the merger into 105 Restricted Stock Units of JPMorgan Chase.

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- (6) The Restricted Stock Units were converted in the merger into 109 Restricted Stock Units of JPMorgan Chase.
- (7) This option was converted in the merger into an option to purchase 41 shares of JPMorgan Chase common stock for \$455.29 per share.
- (8) This option was converted in the merger into an option to purchase 261 shares of JPMorgan Chase common stock for \$721.83 per share.
- (9) This option was converted in the merger into an option to purchase 52 shares of JPMorgan Chase common stock for \$355.22 per share.
- (10) This option was converted in the merger into an option to purchase 58 shares of JPMorgan Chase common stock for \$321.70 per share.
- (11) This option was converted in the merger into an option to purchase 56 shares of JPMorgan Chase common stock for \$333.10 per share.
- (12) This option was converted in the merger into an option to purchase 46 shares of JPMorgan Chase common stock for \$403.81 per share.
- (13) This option was converted in the merger into an option to purchase 324 shares of JPMorgan Chase common stock for \$403.07 per share.
- (14) This option was converted in the merger into an option to purchase 50 shares of JPMorgan Chase common stock for \$372.64 per share.
- (15) This option was converted in the merger into an option to purchase 46 shares of JPMorgan Chase common stock for \$404.17 per share.
- (16) This option was converted in the merger into an option to purchase 41 shares of JPMorgan Chase common stock for \$448.58 per share.
- (17) This option was converted in the merger into an option to purchase 40 shares of JPMorgan Chase common stock for \$457.41 per share.
- (18) This option was converted in the merger into an option to purchase 444 shares of JPMorgan Chase common stock for \$455.45 per share.
- (19) This option was converted in the merger into an option to purchase 40 shares of JPMorgan Chase common stock for \$462.01 per share.
- (20) This option was converted in the merger into an option to purchase 36 shares of JPMorgan Chase common stock for \$510.23 per share.
- (21) This option was converted in the merger into an option to purchase 30 shares of JPMorgan Chase common stock for \$618.03 per share.
- (22) This option was converted in the merger into an option to purchase 309 shares of JPMorgan Chase common stock for \$654.48 per share.
- (23) This option was converted in the merger into an option to purchase 30 shares of JPMorgan Chase common stock for \$614.86 per share.
- (24) The Restricted Stock Units were converted in the merger into 145 Restricted Stock Units of JPMorgan Chase.
- (25) This option was converted in the merger into an option to purchase 652 shares of JPMorgan Chase common stock for \$190.78 per share.
- (26) This option was converted in the merger into an option to purchase 652 shares of JPMorgan Chase common stock for \$210.27 per share.
- (27) This option was converted in the merger into an option to purchase 446 shares of JPMorgan Chase common stock for \$285.71 per share.
- (28) This option was converted in the merger into an option to purchase 415 shares of JPMorgan Chase common stock for \$306.61 per share.
- (29) This option was converted in the merger into an option to purchase 67 shares of JPMorgan Chase common stock for \$276.05 per share.
- (30) This option was converted in the merger into an option to purchase 63 shares of JPMorgan Chase common stock for \$293.89 per share.
- (31) This option was converted in the merger into an option to purchase 63 shares of JPMorgan Chase common stock for \$294.21 per share.
- (32) This option was converted in the merger into an option to purchase 65 shares of JPMorgan Chase common stock for \$287.96 per share.

Remarks:

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