#### FARBER JEFFREY M

Form 4

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1(b).

(Last)

(City)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Issuer

below)

FARBER JEFFREY M

Symbol BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES

(Check all applicable)

below)

Controller

(Middle)

(Zip)

INC [BSC] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director 10% Owner X\_ Officer (give title Other (specify

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

C/O BEAR, STEARNS & CO. INC., 383 MADISON AVENUE

(First)

(Street)

(State)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Month/Day/Year)

02/08/2006

Applicable Line)

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NEW YORK, NY 10179

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (I) Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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)

1. Title of Derivative Conversion 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transactionof

5. Number 6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** 

7. Title and Amount of 8. P Underlying Securities Der

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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		(Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
CAP Units (2000)	<u>(1)</u>	02/08/2006		A(2)	382		11/30/2005	11/30/2005	Common Stock	382
CAP Units (2001)	(1)	02/08/2006		A(2)	124		11/30/2006	11/30/2006	Common Stock	124
CAP Units (2002)	<u>(1)</u>	02/08/2006		A(2)	137		11/30/2007	11/30/2007	Common Stock	137
CAP Units (2003)	(1)	02/08/2006		A(2)	139		11/30/2008	11/30/2008	Common Stock	139
CAP Units (2004)	<u>(1)</u>	02/08/2006		A(2)	184		11/30/2009	11/30/2009	Common Stock	184

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address

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, 02/09/2006 Jeffrey M.

\*\*Signature of Date
Reporting Person

## **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) This type of derivative security typically does not have a conversion or exercise price

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(2) CAP Units credited to Reporting Person's account (as of 2/8/06) based on Fiscal Year 2005 Net Earnings Adjustments pursuant to the Issuer's Capital Accumulation Plan for Senior Managing Directors (CAP Plan); exempt under Rule 16b-3.

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