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Form 8-K

December 17, 2003

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) December 17, 2003

THE BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC.

Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter

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

383 Madison Avenue, New York, New York _____ (Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

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

Not Applicable

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

- Item 7. Financial Statements, Pro Forma Financial Information and Exhibits
 - (a) Financial Statements of business acquired:

Not applicable.

(b) Pro Forma financial information:

Not applicable.

- (c) Exhibit:
 - (99) Press Release, dated December 17, 2003.

Item 12. Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On December 17, 2003, The Bear Stearns Companies Inc. issued a press release

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announcing financial results for its quarter ended November 30, 2003. A copy of the press release is filed as Exhibit 99 to this Form 8-K and by this reference incorporated herein and made a part hereof.

This information shall be considered "filed" for purposes of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

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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/ Marshall J Levinson

Marshall J Levinson

Controller

(Principal Accounting Officer)

Dated: December 17, 2003

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