

BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC

Form 4

January 11, 2008

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
MOLINARO SAMUEL L JR

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 BEAR, STEARNS & CO.
INC., 383 MADISON AVENUE

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
01/09/2008

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
____X____ Officer (give title ____ Other (specify
below) below)
EVP/CFO/COO

(Street)
NEW YORK, NY 10179

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
____X____ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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Person

(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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (D) Price			

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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	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if	4. Transaction	5. Number	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities	8. Price
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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)		Sec (Ins	
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
CAP Units (2002)	<u>(1)</u>	01/09/2008	<u>A(2)</u>		448		11/30/2007	11/30/2007	Common Stock	448
CAP Units (2003)	<u>(1)</u>	01/09/2008	<u>A(2)</u>		512		11/30/2008	11/30/2008	Common Stock	512
CAP Units (2004)	<u>(1)</u>	01/09/2008	<u>A(2)</u>		376		11/30/2009	11/30/2009	Common Stock	376
CAP Units (2005)	<u>(1)</u>	01/09/2008	<u>A(2)</u>		397		11/30/2010	11/30/2010	Common Stock	397
CAP Units (2006)	<u>(1)</u>	01/09/2008	<u>A(2)</u>		454		11/30/2011	11/30/2011	Common Stock	454

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
MOLINARO SAMUEL L JR C/O BEAR, STEARNS & CO. INC. 383 MADISON AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10179	EVP/CFO/COO

Signatures

/s/ Molinaro Jr.,
Samuel L.

01/09/2008

__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) 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 1/9/08) based on Fiscal Year 2007 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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