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Form 424B3

February 17, 2005

PRICING SUPPLEMENT NO. 2 Rule 424(b)(3) DATED: February 14, 2005 File No. 333-121744

(To Prospectus dated February 2, 2005,

and Prospectus Supplement dated February 2, 2005)

\$12,410,781,162 THE BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC. Medium-Term Notes, Series B

Principal Amount: \$15,000,000 Floating Rate Notes [x] Book Entry Notes [x]

Original Issue Date: 2/17/2005 Fixed Rate Notes [ ] Certificated Notes [ ]

CUSIP#:073928J95 Maturity Date: 2/17/2010

Option to Extend Maturity: No [x]

Yes [ ] Final Maturity Date:

Repayment Repayment
Date(s) Price(s) Redemption Price(s) Repayment Redeemable On 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

Interest Payment Date(s): \*\* [ ] LIBOR Reuters

[x] LIBOR Telerate

[ ] Prime Rate

[ ] CMT Rate

Index Maturity: Three Months

Spread (plus or minus): +0.20%

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- $^{\star}\,$  On the 17th of each May, August, November and February prior to Maturity.
- \*\* On the 17th of each May, August, November and February, including the maturity date.

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