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September 24, 2002

PRICING SUPPLEMENT NO. 36

Rule 424(b)(3)

DATED: September 23, 2002

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(To Prospectus dated January 25, 2002,  
and Prospectus Supplement dated January 25, 2002)

\$10,006,693,162

THE BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC.  
MEDIUM-TERM NOTES, SERIES B

Principal Amount: \$25,000,000 Floating Rate Notes  Book Entry Notes   
Original Issue Date: 9/24/2002 Fixed Rate Notes [ ] Certificated Notes [ ]  
Maturity Date: 9/24/2003 CUSIP#: 073928XS7  
Option to Extend Maturity: No   
Yes [ ] Final Maturity Date:

Redeemable On	Redemption Price (s)	Optional Repayment Date (s)	Optional Repayment Price (s)
----- 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): Daily  
[ ] Treasury Rate Interest Reset Period: Daily  
[ ] LIBOR Reuters Interest Payment Date(s): \*  
[ ] LIBOR Telerate  
[x] Prime Rate +  
[ ] CMT Rate  
Initial Interest Rate: 1.85% Interest Payment Period: Quarterly  
Index Maturity: N/A  
Spread (plus or minus): -2.90%

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+ Prime Rate as reported on Telerate Page 5 under the heading "Bank Rates/Prime."

\* On the 24th of December, March, June and at Maturity.

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