BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC
Form 25
December 27, 2007

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

**FORM 25**

**NOTIFICATION OF REMOVAL FROM LISTING AND/OR
REGISTRATION UNDER SECTION 12(b) OF THE
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934.**

Commission File Number 001-08989

Issuer: THE BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC.

Exchange: NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

Exact name of Issuer as specified in its charter, and name of Exchange where security is listed and/or registered)

**383 Madison Avenue
New York, New York 10179
Phone: (212) 272-2000**

(Address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of Issuer's principal executive offices)

**BearLinx$^{SM}$ Alerian MLP Select Index ETN**

(Description of class of securities)

Please place an X in the box to designate the rule provision relied upon to strike the class of securities from listing and registration:

o 17 CFR 240.12d2-2(a)(1)

o 17 CFR 240.12d2-2(a)(2)

o 17 CFR 240.12d2-2(a)(3)

o 17 CFR 240.12d2-2(a)(4)

o Pursuant to 17 CFR 240.12d2-2(b), the Exchange has complied with its rules to strike the class of securities from listing and/or withdraw registration on the Exchange. 1

þ Pursuant to 17 CFR 240.12d2-2(c), the Issuer has complied with its rules of the Exchange and the requirements of 17 CFR 240.12d-2(c) governing the voluntary withdrawal of the class of securities from listing and registration on the Exchange.

Pursuant to the requirements for the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, THE BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC. , certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing the Form 25 and has

caused this notification to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned duly authorized person.

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| December 27, 2007 | /s/ Kenneth L. Edlow | Secretary |
| Date | Name | Title |

1 Form 25 and attached Notice will be considered compliance with the provisions of 17 CFR 240.19d-1 as applicable. See General Instructions.