

BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 CAYNE JAMES E

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)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 05/30/2008

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
 Chairman of the Board

C/O BEAR, STEARNS & CO.
 INC., 383 MADISON AVENUE

(Street)

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

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

NEW YORK, NY 10179

(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 Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				(A) or (D)	Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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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 of Derivative	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date	7. Title and Amount Underlying Security
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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 3 and 4)			
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount Number Shares
Emp. Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 73.75	05/30/2008	D			256,143	12/15/2006	12/15/2013	Common Stock	256,143
Emp. Stock Option (Rt. to Buy)	\$ 116.5	05/30/2008	D			56,573	12/22/2008	12/22/2015	Common Stock	56,573
Emp. stock option (rt. to buy)	\$ 165.32	05/30/2008	D			35,788	12/20/2009	12/20/2016	Common Stock	35,788
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 38.75	05/30/2008	D			72,427	01/10/2003	01/10/2010	Common Stock	72,427
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 49.63	05/30/2008	D			108,856	12/11/2003	12/11/2010	Common Stock	108,856
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 56.88	05/30/2008	D			30,581	12/17/2004	12/17/2011	Common Stock	30,581
Employee Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 64	05/30/2008	D			68,000	11/30/2005	11/30/2012	Common Stock	68,000
Employee Stock Option (Rt. to Buy 07)	\$ 102.65	05/30/2008	D			168,585	12/28/2007	12/28/2014	Common Stock	168,585

Year	Units	Date	Type	Quantity	Start Date	End Date	Class	Quantity
2002	CAP Units	05/30/2008	D	1,182	11/30/2007	11/30/2007 ⁽²⁾	Common Stock	1,
2003	CAP Units	05/30/2008	D	173,079	11/30/2008	11/30/2008 ⁽²⁾	Common Stock	173,
2004	CAP Units	05/30/2008	D	105,749	11/30/2009	11/30/2009 ⁽⁵⁾	Common Stock	105,
2005	CAP Units	05/30/2008	D	94,959	11/30/2010	11/30/2010 ⁽⁵⁾	Common Stock	94,
2006	CAP Units	05/30/2008	D	90,373	11/30/2011	11/30/2011 ⁽⁵⁾	Common Stock	90,

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
CAYNE JAMES E C/O BEAR, STEARNS & CO. INC. 383 MADISON AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10179	X			Chairman of the Board

Signatures

/s/ Cayne, James
E. 06/02/2008

**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
- (2) The shares of common stock underlying the CAP Units will be distributed on or about 11/30/2008
- (3) The CAP Units were converted in the merger into 257 CAP Units of JPMorgan Chase.
- (4) The CAP Units were converted in the merger into 37,649 CAP Units of JPMorgan Chase.
- (5) In connection with the merger, the deferral period for the CAP Units will be accelerated and the shares of common stock underlying the CAP Units will be distributed on or about 1/15/2009.
- (6) The CAP Units were converted in the merger into 23,003 CAP Units of JPMorgan Chase.
- (7) The CAP Units were converted in the merger into 20,656 CAP Units of JPMorgan Chase.
- (8) The CAP Units were converted in the merger into 19,658 CAP Units of JPMorgan Chase.
- (9) This option was converted in the merger into an option to purchase 55,718 shares of JPMorgan Chase common stock for \$339.03 per share.
- (10) This option was converted in the merger into an option to purchase 12,306 shares of JPMorgan Chase common stock for \$535.56 per share.
- (11) This option was converted in the merger into an option to purchase 7,784 shares of JPMorgan Chase common stock for \$759.99 per share.
- (12)

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This option was converted in the merger into an option to purchase 15,755 shares of JPMorgan Chase common stock for \$178.14 per share.

- (13) This option was converted in the merger into an option to purchase 23,679 shares of JPMorgan Chase common stock for \$228.13 per share.
- (14) This option was converted in the merger into an option to purchase 6,652 shares of JPMorgan Chase common stock for \$261.48 per share.
- (15) This option was converted in the merger into an option to purchase 14,792 shares of JPMorgan Chase common stock for \$294.21 per share.
- (16) This option was converted in the merger into an option to purchase 36,672 shares of JPMorgan Chase common stock for \$471.89 per share.

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