

BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
 SPECTOR WARREN J

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)  
 02/14/2005

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
 Co-Pres./Co-COO

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 (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 of Underlying Securities
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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 or Number of Shares
CAP Units (1993)	<u>(1)</u>	02/14/2005	<u>A(2)</u>		42,146		11/30/2003	11/30/2003	Common Stock	42,146
CAP Units (1996)	<u>(1)</u>	02/14/2005	<u>A(2)</u>		27,761		11/30/2001	11/30/2001	Common Stock	27,761
CAP Units (1997)	<u>(1)</u>	02/14/2005	<u>A(2)</u>		23,237		11/30/2002	11/30/2002	Common Stock	23,237
CAP Units (1998)	<u>(1)</u>	02/14/2005	<u>A(2)</u>		14,304		11/30/2003	11/30/2003	Common Stock	14,304
CAP Units (1999)	<u>(1)</u>	02/14/2005	<u>A(2)</u>		47,949		11/30/2004	11/30/2004	Common Stock	47,949
CAP Units (2000)	<u>(1)</u>	02/14/2005	<u>A(2)</u>		25,793		11/30/2005	11/30/2005	Common Stock	25,793
CAP Units (2001)	<u>(1)</u>	02/14/2005	<u>A(2)</u>		2,749		11/30/2006	11/30/2006	Common Stock	2,749
CAP Units (2002)	<u>(1)</u>	02/14/2005	<u>A(2)</u>		9,581		11/30/2007	11/30/2007	Common Stock	9,581
CAP Units 2003	<u>(1)</u>	02/14/2005	<u>A(2)</u>		9,598		11/30/2008	11/30/2008	Common Stock	9,598

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SPECTOR WARREN J C/O BEAR, STEARNS & CO. INC. 383 MADISON AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10179	X		Co-Pres./Co-COO	

## Signatures

By: Warren J.  
Spector

02/15/2005

\_\_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) CAP Units credited to Reporting Person's account (as of 2/14/05) based on Fiscal Year 2004 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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