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November 29, 2001

PRICING SUPPLEMENT NO. 83

Rule 424(b)(3)

DATED: November 15, 2001

File No. 333-52902

(To Prospectus dated January 11, 2001,  
and Prospectus Supplement dated January 11, 2001)

\$9,015,893,162

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

Principal Amount: \$50,000,000 Floating Rate Notes  Book Entry Notes

Original Issue Date: 11/26/2001\* Fixed Rate Notes  Certificated Notes

Maturity Date: 11/24/2003 CUSIP#: 073928VS9

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): \*\*

Treasury Rate Interest Reset Period: Quarterly

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

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Prime Rate

CMT Rate

Initial Interest Rate: 2.43% Interest Payment Period: Quarterly

Index Maturity: Three Months

Spread (plus or minus): + 0.30%

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- \* With accrued interest from November 23, 2001.
- \*\* On the 23rd of each November, February, May and August prior to Maturity.
- \*\*\* 2/23/02, 5/23/02, 8/23/02, 11/23/02, 2/23/03, 5/23/03, 8/23/03 and  
11/24/03

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