CAYNE JAMES E Form 4 February 10, 2006

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

Washington, D.C. 20549

if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5

obligations

Check this box

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,

may continue. See Instruction

1(b).

(Last)

(City)

Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

CAYNE JAMES E

Symbol

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC [BSC]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/08/2006

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

(Street)

(State)

(First)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3)

NEW YORK, NY 10179

(Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

(Middle)

4. Securities 3. TransactionAcquired (A) or Code (Instr. 8)

Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4)

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 Conversion

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

5. Number of TransactionDerivative

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date**

7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Chairman of the Bd., CEO

6. Ownership

Form: Direct

(Instr. 4)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

10% Owner Other (specify

7. Nature of

Ownership

(Instr. 4)

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(9-02)

Indirect

(D) or Indirect Beneficial

Issuer

below)

Person

5. Amount of

Securities

Following

Owned

Beneficially

_X__ Director

Applicable Line)

X_ Officer (give title

Estimated average

burden hours per

1

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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 (2000)	<u>(1)</u>	02/08/2006		A(2)	25,809	11/30/2005	11/30/2005	Common Stock	25,809
CAP Units (2001)	<u>(1)</u>	02/08/2006		A(2)	2,785	11/30/2006	11/30/2006	Common Stock	2,785
CAP Units (2002)	(1)	02/08/2006		A(2)	9,708	11/30/2007	11/30/2007	Common Stock	9,708
CAP Units (2003)	(1)	02/08/2006		A(2)	9,667	11/30/2008	11/30/2008	Common Stock	9,667
CAP Units (2004)	<u>(1)</u>	02/08/2006		A(2)	5,906	11/30/2009	11/30/2009	Common Stock	5,906

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
teps.mg (min 1 min) , run ess	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 Bd., CEO				

Signatures

/s/ Cayne, James
E. 02/09/2006

E. Date
Reporting Person

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 2/8/06) based on Fiscal Year 2005 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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