BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC

Form 4

September 22, 2006

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Last)

(City)

1. Title of

Security

(Instr. 3)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

GREENBERG ALAN C

(First) (Middle)

C/O BEAR, STEARNS & CO.

INC., 383 MADISON AVENUE

(Street)

(State)

NEW YORK, NY 10179 (Zip)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC [BSC]

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

09/20/2006

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or

Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

Following Reported (A)

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

Owned

5. Amount of

Securities

Beneficially

Issuer

below)

X_ Director

Applicable Line)

Officer (give title

or

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

(Month/Day/Year)

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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

5. Number of (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionDerivative

6. Date Exercisable and Expiration

7. Title and Amo Underlying Secu

Date

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

6. Ownership

Form: Direct

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

(I)

(Instr. 4)

(Check all applicable)

10% Owner

Other (specify

7. Nature of

Ownership (Instr. 4)

Indirect

(D) or Indirect Beneficial

Estimated average

burden hours per

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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code Securities (Instr. 8) 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	Ar or Nu of
Forward Purchase Contract - Obligation to Sell (1)	(1)	09/20/2006		J <u>(1)</u>	27,063 (1)	11/30/2006(1)	11/30/2006(1)	Common Stock (1)	2'

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

GREENBERG ALAN C C/O BEAR, STEARNS & CO. INC. 383 MADISON AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10179



Signatures

/s/ Greenberg,

Alan C. 09/20/2006

**Signature of 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).

On 9/20/06, the Reporting Person entered into a forward contract pursuant to the CAP Plan with The Bear Stearns Companies Inc. (BSC) in which the Reporting Person agreed to sell up to, and including, 27,063 common shares of BSC issuable upon settlement of CAP Units pursuant to the CAP Plan to BSC. The forward contract is subject to BSCs satisfaction of certain performance goals for the nine months ended 8/31/06. The forward contract will settle on 11/30/06. The per share price will be the average of the Daily Volume Weighted Average Prices of the common stock on each day that it trades between \$122 and \$152 during the period 9/5/06 thrugh 11/29/06 (Included Days). The number of shares purchased pursuant to the forward contract will be a fraction, the numerator of which is the number of Included Days and the denominator of which is the number of days the NYSE opens for trading between 9/5/06 and 11/29/06, multiplied by 27,063.

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