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April 25, 2005

THE BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC.

IncomeNotes (SM)

With Maturities of Nine Months or More from Date of Issue

Registration No. 333-121744

Filed Pursuant to Rule 424(b)(3)

Pricing Supplement No. 12

(To Prospectus dated February 2, 2005,

and Prospectus Supplement dated February 2, 2005)

Trade Date: April 25, 2005

Issue Date: April 28, 2005

The date of this Pricing Supplement is April 25, 2005

CUSIP#	Interest Rate	Maturity Date	Price to Public	Discounts & Commissions	Reallowance
07387EHM2	5.470%	4/15/2030	100.00%	2.50%	0.350%

Subject to Redemption

First Interest Payment Date	First Interest Payment Amount	Survivor's Option	Yes/No	Date and Terms of Redemption	Ag Pr A
10/15/2005	\$25.37	Yes	Yes	Commencing on 4/15/2010 and on the 15th of each month thereafter until Maturity, the Notes may be called in whole at par at the option of the Company on ten calendar days notice.	\$1

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