

PRIMUS TELECOMMUNICATIONS GROUP INC

Form 3

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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *			2. Date of Event Requiring Statement	3. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol	
Â BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC			(Month/Day/Year)	PRIMUS TELECOMMUNICATIONS GROUP INC [PRTL]	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)
383 MADISON AVENUE				(Check all applicable)	
(Street)				___ Director	___X___ 10% Owner
NEW YORK,Â NYÂ 10179				___ Officer	___ Other
(City)	(State)	(Zip)		(give title below)	(specify below)
					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
					__X__ Form filed by One Reporting Person
					___ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock, \$0.01 par value per share	606,701	D	Â

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

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Title			

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		Expiration Date		Amount or Number of Shares		or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
3.75% Convertible Notes due 2010	02/21/2008	09/15/2010	Common Stock, \$0.01 par value per share	1,608,855	\$ 9.32	D	Â
8% Convertible Notes due 2009	02/21/2008 <sup>(1)</sup>	08/15/2009	Common Stock, \$0.01 par value per share	9,679,865	\$ 1.19	D	Â
5% Exchangeable Senior Notes due 2009	02/21/2008	06/30/2009	Common Stock, \$0.01 par value per share	2,083,325	\$ 1.2	D	Â
5% Convertible Notes due 2009	02/21/2008	06/30/2009	Common Stock, \$0.01 par value per share	1,874,993	\$ 1.2	D	Â

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BEAR STEARNS COMPANIES INC 383 MADISON AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10179	Â	Â X	Â	Â

## Signatures

/s/ Kenneth L. Edlow, Secretary for The Bear Stearns Companies Inc.	03/14/2008
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date
/s/ Ethan Garber, Senior Managing Director for Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc.	03/14/2008
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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) 5,000,000 notes were purchased on February 22, 2008, and were accordingly not exercisable until that date.

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**Remarks:**

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