FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1	ress of Reporting Pe NATHAN C	erson*	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SLM CORP [SLM]	5. Relationship of Reporting (Check all applicable) Director	Person(s) to Issuer 10% Owner Other (specify		
(Last) (First) 300 CONTINENTAL DRIVE		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/03/2012	X Onice (give nue below) EVP &	below)		
(Street) NEWARK (City)	DE (State)	19713 (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 02/07/2012	Line) X Form filed by One F	vidual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) 8) 3. Transaction Code (Instr.			4. Securities A Disposed Of (I			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(1130.4)
Common Stock	02/03/2012		A		7 0, 877 ⁽¹⁾	A	\$0	150,923 ⁽²⁾	D	
Common Stock	02/03/2012		Α		34,396 ⁽³⁾	A	\$ <mark>0</mark>	185,319	D	

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transa Code (8)		Derivative		6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/\	ate	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$15.99	02/03/2012		A		130,869		(4)	02/03/2017	Common Stock	130,869	\$0	130,869	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. Grant of Performance Stock Units ("PSUs") which is classified as "Common Stock," as permitted, since the PSUs will be settled solely by delivery of shares of the Company's common stock upon vesting. The PSUs will vest after a three-year performance period (2012-2014), with potential payout ranging from 0% to 130% of the target award based on the Company's cumulative "core net income" for such performance period. The PSUs will vest on the second business day after the Company files its annual report on Form 10-K for the year ending 2014 with the SEC, and in no event later than March 15, 2015.

2. This Amendment is filed to correct Mr. Clark's common stock balance previously overstated by 34,396 shares due to an administrative error.

3. Grant of Restricted Stock Units ("RSUs") which is classified as "Common Stock," as permitted, since the RSUs will be settled solely by delivery of shares of the Company's common stock. These RSUs represent a portion of the bonus amount for 2011 and are vested at grant but subject to transfer restrictions until settlement by delivery of common stock in one-third increments on the first, second and third anniversary of the grant date.

4. These options vest as follows: 1/3 will vest on the first anniversary date of the grant (February 3, 2013); 1/3 will vest upon (i) the Company's common stock having a closing price per share that is at least \$17.00 for any five consecutive trading days and (ii) the second anniversary of the grant date (February 3, 2014); and 1/3 will vest upon (i) the Company's common stock having a closing price per share that is at least \$19.00 for any five consecutive trading days and (ii) the third anniversary of the grant date (February 3, 2015).

<u>/s/ Carol R. Rakatansky (POA)</u> 03/13/2012

for Jonathan C. Clark

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

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