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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	dress of Reporting F		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>SLM CORP</u> [SLM]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner				
(Last) (First) (Middle) 12061 BLUEMONT WAY		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/23/2004	Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)				
			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable				
(Street)			11/23/2004	Line)				
RESTON	VA	20190		X Form filed by One Reporting Person				
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(City)	(State)	(Zip)						

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)	3. Transa Code (8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			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)		(1150. 4)
Common Stock	11/23/2004		М		40,000	A	\$14.3333	102,346	D	
Common Stock	11/23/2004		F		11,242	D	\$51	91,104	D	
Common Stock	11/23/2004		S		8,000	D	\$50.7	83,104	D	
Common Stock	11/23/2004		S		400	D	\$50.72	82,704	D	
Common Stock	11/23/2004		S		219	D	\$50.73	82,485	D	
Common Stock	11/23/2004		S		18,819	D	\$50.75	63,666	D	
Common Stock	11/23/2004		S		13,500	D	\$50.77	50,166	D	
Common Stock	11/23/2004		S		159	D	\$50.79	50,007	D	

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

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)				ate	7. Title and of Securiti Underlyin Derivative (Instr. 3 ar	es 9 Security	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 Option (Right to Buy)	\$14.3333	11/23/2004		М			40,000	(1)	01/13/2010	Common Stock	40,000	\$0	14,500	D	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$50.92	11/23/2004		A		11,242		11/23/2005	01/13/2010	Common Stock	11,242	\$0	11,242	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. These options become exercisable upon the Company's common stock having a closing price on the New York Stock Exchange of \$17.20 for five trading days, they also become exercisable on the fifth anniversary of the grant (January 13, 2005).

Remarks:

By: Mary F. Eure (POA)

<u>11/23/2004</u> Date

** Signature of Reporting Person

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).

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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