FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person (Check all applicable) **SLM CORP** [SLM] **Lutz Laurent Charles** Director Officer (give title Other (specify X below) below) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) (Last) (First) (Middle) 01/05/2011 **EVP & General Counsel** 12061 BLUEMONT WAY 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) (Street) RESTON VA 20190 X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting (City) (State) (qiZ) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) 2. Transaction 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2A. Deemed 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Date Execution Date. Transaction Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially Owned Following (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) Beneficial Ownership (Month/Day/Year) if any (Month/Day/Year) Code (Instr. 8) Reported (Instr. 4) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) (A) or (D) Code Amount Price 100,000(1) 01/05/2011 Common Stock Α A \$0 100,000 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)		n Derivative		e Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) (A) sed str.		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)	\$12.81	01/05/2011		A		200,000		(2)	01/05/2021	Common Stock	200,000	\$0	200,000	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- $1. \ One-third \ of \ these \ shares \ vest \ on \ the \ first, second \ and \ third \ anniversary \ of \ the \ grant \ date.$
- $2. \ One-third \ of \ these \ options \ vest \ on \ the \ first, second \ and \ third \ anniversary \ of \ the \ grant \ date.$

Remarks:

/s/ Carol R. Rakatansky (POA)

/s/ Laurent C Lutz

01/07/2011

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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- * 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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