Pricing Supplement No. 18 dated June 6, 2003 (to Prospectus dated November 18, 2002 and Prospectus Supplement dated November 18, 2002)

## **SLM Corporation**

Medium Term Notes, Series A Due 9 Months or Longer From the Date of Issue

Principal Amount:	\$150,000,000	Floating Rate Notes:	0	Fixed Rate Notes:	$\boxtimes$

Original Issue Date: June 16, 2003 Closing Date: June 16, 2003 CUSIP Number: 78442F AX6

Maturity Date: June 15, 2018 Option to Extend Maturity: X Specified Currency: U.S. Dollars No

> If Yes, Final Maturity Date: Yes

Redeemable in whole or in part at the

option of the Company:

100% of the principal amount of the Notes plus No Redemption Price:

accrued and unpaid interest to the date fixed for

redemption.

|X|Yes Redemption Dates: June 15, 2008 and each December 15<sup>th</sup> and June

15<sup>th</sup>thereafter during the term of the Notes upon at

least 20 days but not more than 90 days written

notice to holders of the Notes.

Repayment at the option of the Holder: X No Repayment Price: Not Applicable.

> Yes payment Dates: Not Applicable.

**Applicable to Fixed Rate Notes Only:** 

Interest Rate: 5.00%. Interest Payment Dates: Each June 15th and December 15th

> during the term of the Notes unless earlier redeemed, beginning December 15, 2003, subject to adjustment in accordance with the following business day convention.

Interest Accrual Method: 30/360 Interest Periods:

From and including the Closing Date or each June  $15^{\mathrm{th}}$  or December  $15^{\mathrm{th}}$ thereafter, as the case may be, to and including the next succeeding June 14<sup>th</sup> or December 14<sup>th</sup>, as the case may be, unless earlier redeemed, with no adjustment to period end dates for accrual purposes.

## **Credit Suisse First Boston**

June 6, 2003

Form: Book-entry.

Denominations: \$1,000 minimum and integral multiples of \$1,000 in excess thereof.

Trustee: JPMorgan Chase Bank, formerly known as The Chase Manhattan Bank.

Agent: Credit Suisse First Boston LLC is acting as underwriter in connection with this issuance.

Issue Price: 100.00%.

Agents' Commission: 0.50%.

Net Proceeds to Issuer: 99.50%.

Net Proceeds: \$149,250,000.

0.30%

Concession:

Reallowance: 0.25% CUSIP Number: 78442F AX6

ISIN Number: SUS78442F AX69

The underwriter has arranged a swap transaction in connection with the Notes between the issuer of the Notes and an affiliate of the underwriter and may have received compensation from such affiliate for arranging the swap transaction.

Obligations of SLM Corporation and any subsidiary of SLM Corporation are not guaranteed by the full faith and credit of the United States of America. Neither SLM Corporation nor any subsidiary of SLM Corporation (other than Student Loan Marketing Association) is a government-sponsored enterprise or an instrumentality of the United States of America.