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## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

| Name and Address of Reporting Person*     CLARK JONATHAN C   |   |  |  |            | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SLM CORP [ SLM ] |   |   |       |  |            |                    |   |                                       | ck all applica<br>Director                                    | tor   |   | 10% Ow                                     | /ner   |  |
|--|---|--|--|------------|--|---|---|-------|--|------------|--------------------|---|---------------------------------------|---|---|---|--|--|--|
| (Last)<br>12061 B  | (Last) (First) (Middle) 12061 BLUEMONT WAY                            |  |  |            |  | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/28/2010 |   |       |  |            |                    |   |                                       | _ X   | below) `  | (give title recutive Vice P   |  | Other (s<br>below)<br>resident   | pecify   |
| (Street) RESTON VA 20190   |   |  |  | 4.         | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)     |   |   |       |  |            |                    | 6. Inc<br>Line)   | Form filed by More than One Reporting |   |   |   | .  |  |  |
| (City)   | (S  | tate)                                      | (Zip)  |            |  |   |   |       |  |            |                    |   |                                       | Person  |   |   |  |  |  |
|  |   | Та   | ble I - No   | n-Der      | ivativ   | ve Se   | ecurities                               | s Acc | quired,  | Dis        | posed o            | f, or B   | ene                                   | ficially  | Owned   |   |  |  |  |
| Date   |   |  |  |            | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date,<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Year)  |   | 3.<br>Transaction<br>Code (Instr.<br>8) |       | 4. Securities Acquired (A) of Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 |            |                    |   | Securities<br>Beneficia<br>Owned Fo   | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned Following |   | Direct Indirect I   | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership |  |  |
|  |   |  |  |            |  |   | Code                                    | v     | Amount   | (A)<br>(D) | or                 | Price   | Reported<br>Transacti<br>(Instr. 3 a  | ction(s)  |   |   | (Instr. 4)                                 |  |  |
| Common Stock 01/28/  |   |  |  | 28/201     | 2010   |   | A                                       |       | 10,000   | (1)        | 1                  | \$0   | 18,355                                |   | D   |   |  |  |  |
| Common Stock 01/28/  |   |  |  | 28/201     | 2010   |   | A                                       |       | 6,373  | 2)         | 1                  | \$ <mark>0</mark>   | 24,                                   | ,728  |   | D   |  |  |  |
| Common Stock 01/29   |   |  | 29/201   | /2010      |  | F   |   | 537   |  | )          | \$10.53            | 24,   | ,191                                  |   | D   |   |  |  |  |
| Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) |   |  |  |            |  |   |   |       |  |            |                    |   |                                       |   |   |   |  |  |  |
| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)  | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution D<br>if any<br>(Month/Day) | ate, Trans |  | ection<br>Instr.  | Derivative I                            |       | 6. Date Exercisa<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Yea      |            |                    | 7. Title and Amo<br>of Securities<br>Underlying<br>Derivative Secur<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |                                       | curity  | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5) | 9. Number<br>derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficial<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transactio | e C<br>s F<br>lly C                        | 10.<br>Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|  |   |  |  | Co         | Code   | v   | (A)                                     |       | Date<br>Exercisab  |            | Expiration<br>Date | Title   | or<br>Nu                              | mount<br>ımber<br>Shares                                      |   | (Instr. 4)  | oni(ə)                                     |  |  |
| Stock<br>Option<br>(Right to   | \$10.31   | 01/28/2010                                 |  |            | A  |   | 125,000                                 |       | (3)  | 0          | 01/28/2020         | Commo<br>Stock  | 1 12                                  | 25,000  | \$0   | 125,00  | 00   | D  |  |

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- One-third of these shares vest on the first, second and third anniversay of the grant date.
- 2. These shares represent a portion of the bonus amount for 2009 and must be held until the first anniversary of the grant date (January 28, 2011).
- 3. One-third of these options vest on the first, second and third anniversay of the grant date.

## Remarks:

By: Matthew B. Wallace (POA) 02/01/2010

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

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