FORM 4

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* WILLIAMS BARRY LAWSON					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SLM CORP [SLM]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
(Last)						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/19/2004								Officer (below)	give title		10% Owi Other (sp below)	- 1
(Street) RESTON VA 20193					4.	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City)	(S	itate)	(Zip)															
Table I - Non-Deriv 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Date)			saction	tion 2A. Deer Execution y/Year) if any		A. Deemed kecution Date,		d, Dis	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 an			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transacti	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		"	Instr. 4)
Common Stock			05/1	05/19/2004				F		15,506	D	\$38.36	2,8	21	D			
Common Stock			05/1	05/19/2004				S		2,475	D	\$38.61	34	1 6	Ī	D		
Common Stock 05/19/				9/200	4			M		20,749	A	\$28.666	5 21,	095	Ī	D		
			Table II	- Deri	vative , puts	e Se s, ca	curities IIs, war	Acqu rants	uired, , optic	Disp ons,	osed of, o	or Bene le secu	ficially (rities)	Owned				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Day	Date,	4. Transa Code (8)				6. Date Exer Expiration D (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 derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported	e O S Fi Illy D o (!)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exerc	isable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)			
Stock Option (Right to buy)	\$28.6666	05/19/2004			M			20,749	([1)	01/24/2012	Common Stock	20,749	\$28.6666	886		D	
Stock Option (Right to	\$38.18	05/19/2004			A		15,506		05/19	9/2005	01/24/2012	Common Stock	15,506	\$0	15,506	6	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 \$34.40, for five trading days, they also become exercisable on the fifth anniversary of the grant (January 24, 2007).

05/20/2004 Mary F. Eure (POA)

** 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).
- ** 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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