## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* SUITT GILLELAND DIANE					2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol  SLM CORP [ SLM ]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)						
				1									X	Directo	or 10%		10% Ov	vner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 12061 BLUEMONT WAY						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/26/2006								Officer below)	(give title		Other (s below)	pecify	
				_ 4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)						6.	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable							
(Street) RESTON VA 20190												Lir	Line)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting  Person						
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		Tab	le I - Nor	n-Deriv	ative	Se	curities	s Ac	quired, D	ispos	sed c	of, or Be	neficia	lly C	Owned	l			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transa Date (Month/D					Execution Date,			Code (Instr. 5)				4 and Securition Benefici		es Forn ially (D) o Following (I) (Ir		n: Direct or Indirect nstr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
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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,	ate, Transaction				6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		and	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price Derivat Securit (Instr. 5		9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	e s ally g	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expir Date	ation	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	1					
Stock Option (Right to	\$55.82	01/26/2006			A		9,530		(1)	01/26	5/2016	Common Stock	9,530		\$0	9,530		D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

## Remarks:

01/26/2006 By: 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).
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<sup>1.</sup> These options become exercisable upon (1) the Company's common stock having a closing price on the New York Stock Exchange of \$66.98 for five trading days or (2) the Director's election to the SLM Corporation Board at the 2006 annual shareholding meeting, whichever is later. These options also become exercisable on the fifth anniversary of the grant (January 26, 2011).