FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT	OF CHANGES	IN BENEFICIAL	<b>OWNERSHIP</b>
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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  TORRE GRANT ANN				2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol SLM CORP [ SLM ]						(Ch	Relationship of the contract o	•				
(Last) (First) (Middle) 11600 SALLIE MAE DRIVE				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/29/2004							Officer below)	(give title		Other (s below)	pecify	
(Street) RESTON			20193	4.	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)					Line	e) X Form f Form f	ual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City)	(City) (State) (Zip)  Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned															
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	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)	Execution Date, if any Code (Instr. 8)  (Month/Day/Year)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		ate	e and 7. Title and Amou of Securities Underlying Derivative Securi (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		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					
Stock Option (Right to buy)	\$37.87	01/29/2004		A		25,555		(1)	01/29/2014	Common Stock	25,555	\$0	25,555	5	D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. These options become exercisable upon (1) the Company's common stock having a closing price on the New York Stock Exchange of \$45.44 for five trading days or (2) the Director's election to the SLM Corporation Board at the 2004 annual shareholder meeting, whichever is later. These options also become exercisable on the fifth anniversary of the grant (January 29, 2009).

Mary F. Eure (POA)

01/30/2004

\*\* 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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