

SLM CORP  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
FITZPATRICK THOMAS J

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
12061 BLUEMONT WAY  
(Street)

RESTON, VA 20190

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
SLM CORP [SLM]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
01/26/2006

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_X\_ Officer (give title below) \_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
President/COO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	01/26/2006		A	V Amount (A) or (D) Price \$ 55.82	11,519 A \$ 965,857	D	
Restricted Stock Units	01/26/2006		A	(1) Amount (A) or (D) Price \$ 0	100,000 A \$ 662,565.66 (2)	D	

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

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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)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount Number Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 55.82	01/26/2006		A	1,000,000	(3) 01/26/2016	Common Stock 1,000,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
FITZPATRICK THOMAS J 12061 BLUEMONT WAY RESTON, VA 20190			President/COO	

## Signatures

By: Mary F. Eure  
(POA) 01/26/2006

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person Date

## Explanation of Responses:

\* 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).

(1) These Restricted Stock Units vest May 31, 2009 and are converted into common stock following Mr. Fitzpatrick's termination of employment. Units are settled in the Company's common stock.

(2) Includes shares acquired through dividend reinvestments.

(3) These options are exercisable after price-vesting and time-vesting targets are met, but no earlier than May 31, 2009. For each one-third of the option grant, the price-vesting targets are a set percentage increase over the fair market value of the options on the date of grant. The percentage targets are a 25 percent increase, a 33 percent increase and a 50 percent increase, respectively, and must be sustained for five consecutive trading days. The options will ultimately vest on January 26, 2014.

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