SLM CORP Form 4 January 27, 2006

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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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(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **HUNT RONALD F**

(First) (Middle) (Last)

12061 BLUEMONT WAY

(Street)

(State)

RESTON, VA 20190

(City)

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

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Issuer

(Check all applicable)

X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

6. Ownership

Form: Direct

(Instr. 4)

(D) or Indirect Beneficial

7. Nature of

Ownership

(Instr. 4)

SEC 1474

(9-02)

Indirect

Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3)

(Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

or

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

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 Conversion Security or Exercise (Instr. 3) Price of

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

5. Number of 4. TransactionDerivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A)

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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Derivative or Disposed of Security (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) Code V Expiration Title (A) (D) Date Amount Exercisable Date or Number of Shares Stock Option Common (1) 01/26/2016 \$ 55.82 01/26/2006 A 15,250 15,250 (Right to Stock Buy)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
HUNT RONALD F 12061 BLUEMONT WAY RESTON, VA 20190	X			

Signatures

By: Mary F. Eure
(POA)

**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).

These options become exercisable upon (1) the Company's common stock having a closing price on the New York Stock Exchange of (1) \$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).

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