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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * DIEFENDERFER WILLIAM M III		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SLM CORP [SLM]			5	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer					
(Last) 300 CONTIN	(First) NENTAL DRIV	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/10/2012			> >	(Check all applicable) X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below)				
NEWARK. I				If Amendment, Date Original 6 iled(Month/Day/Year) A				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting			
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(City)	. ,	(Zip)			erivative S	ecuri	ties Acquire	d, Disposed of, o	Ĭ		
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction I (Month/Day/Ye	Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Execution Date, is any (Month/Day/Year)		3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or				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)	
6.97% Cumulative Redeemable				Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(IIIsu. 3 and 4)			
Preferred Stock, Series A	02/10/2012			P	200	A	\$ 44.05	200	D		
6.97% Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock, Series	02/10/2012			Р	100	A	\$ 43.9	300	D		

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6.97% Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock, Series A	02/13/2012	P	300	A	\$ 44.2499	600	D
6.97% Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock, Series A	02/14/2012	P	69	A	\$ 43.75	669	D
6.97% Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock, Series A	02/14/2012	P	331	A	\$ 44	1,000	D
6.97% Cumulative Redeemable Preferred Stock, Series A	02/14/2012	P	200	A	\$ 43.9	1,200	D

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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)	4. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed	Expiration D (Month/Day/ e			le and ant of rlying ities . 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans
				of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)						(Instr
			Code V	,	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

DIEFENDERFER WILLIAM M III 300 CONTINENTAL DRIVE X NEWARK, DE 19713

Signatures

/s/ Carol R. Rakatansky (POA) for William M. Diefenderfer III

02/14/2012

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

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