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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement SLM CORP [SLM] Thome Paul F (Month/Day/Year) 02/22/2016 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 300 CONTINENTAL DRIVE (Check all applicable) (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) 10% Owner Director _X_ Form filed by One Reporting _X__ Officer Other Person NEWARK, DEÂ 19713 (give title below) (specify below) Form filed by More than One EVP & Chief Admin Officer Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 2. Amount of Securities 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Common Stock D Â 84,802 Common Stock 40,834.71 (1) I 401(k)Supplemental 401(k) Savings Common Stock $23,847.02^{(1)}$ Ι Plan Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security	2. Date Exercisable and	3. Title and Amount of	4.	5.	6. Nature of Indirect
(Instr. 4)	Expiration Date	Securities Underlying	Conversion	Ownership	Beneficial Ownership
	(Month/Day/Year)				

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			Derivative Se (Instr. 4)	curity	or Exercise Price of	Form of Derivative	(Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	(2)	02/03/2017	Common Stock	25,363	\$ 5.7343	D	Â
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	(3)	02/07/2018	Common Stock	39,297	\$ 6.4228	D	Â
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	(4)	01/27/2021	Common Stock	30,000	\$ 5.243	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
reporting of their runner, runners	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Thome Paul F 300 CONTINENTAL DRIVE NEWARK, DE 19713	Â	Â	EVP & Chief Admin Officer	Â

Signatures

/s/ Nicolas Jafarieh (POA) for Paul F.
Thome

03/01/2016

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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) The information in this report is based on a plan statement dated as of February 25, 2016.
- One-third of these options became exercisable on February 3, 2013. The next one-third of these options became exercisable on February 3, 2014. The remaining one-third of these options became exercisable on February 3, 2015.
- One-third of these options became exercisable on February 7, 2014. The next one-third of these options became exercisable on February 7, 2015. The remaining one-third of these options became exercisable on February 7, 2016.
- One-third of these options became exercisable on January 27, 2012. The next one-third of these options became exercisable on January 27, 2013. The remaining one-third of these options became exercisable on January 27, 2014.

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