

SLM CORP  
 Form 424B3  
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**SLM Corporation**

**Medium Term Notes, Series B**

**With Maturities of 9 Months or More from Date of Issue**

Registration No. 333-107132  
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**Pricing Supplement No. 578**

(To Prospectus dated January 5, 2005 and  
 Prospectus Supplement dated January 5, 2005)

The date of this Pricing Supplement is

**Trade Date:** 10/30/2006

**Issue Date:** 11/2/2006

10/30/2006

CUSIP	Stated Interest Rate Per Annum	Maturity Date	Price to Public	Discounts & Commissions	Interest Payment		Subject to Redemption		Aggregate Principal Amount	Net Proceeds	OID Status
					Frequency	First Payment	Survivor s Option	Date and terms of redemption			
78490FA74	N/A	12/15/2013	100%	1.250%	Monthly <sup>4</sup>	12/15/06	No	No	1,967,000	1,942,412.50	N

Floating Rate Index	Reset Period	Accrual Method	Maximum Interest Rate	Minimum Interest Rate
*CPI	2.500% Monthly	Actual/Actual (Payment Basis)	N/A	0.000%

As of September 12, 2005 ABN AMRO Financial Services, Inc. changed its name to LaSalle Financial Services, Inc. Consequently, all references to ABN AMRO Financial Services, Inc. in the prospectus are amended to read LaSalle Financial Services, Inc.

**Effective June 30, 2005, Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc. was added as a selling agent under the SLM EdNotes program.**

\* **During the initial interest period which is from the Issue Date to but not including 12/15/2006, the interest rate will be 6.32%, then the Consumer Price Index (CPI) plus 2.50% thereafter.**

- 1 The interest rates on the EdNotes may be changed by SLM Corporation from time to time, but any such change will not affect the interest rate on any EdNotes offered prior to the effective date of the change.
- 2 Expressed as a percentage of aggregate principal amount.
- 3 See Supplemental Plan of Distribution in the Prospectus supplement for additional information concerning price to public and underwriting compensation.
- 4 On the interest Determination Date, which is on the 15th day of each month during the terms of the notes beginning on 12/15/2006, the Calculation Agent will establish the new rate as described on page S-16 in the prospectus supplements.