

SLM CORP  
 Form 424B3  
 August 15, 2006

**SLM Corporation**  
**Medium Term Notes, Series B**

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

Registration No. 333-107132  
 Filed Pursuant to Rule 424(b)(3)

**Pricing Supplement No. 556**  
 (To Prospectus dated January 5, 2005 and  
 Prospectus Supplement dated January 5, 2005)  
 The date of this Pricing Supplement is

**Trade Date:** 8/14/2006  
**Issue Date:** 8/17/2006

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CUSIP	Stated Interest Rate Per Annum (1)	Maturity Date	Price to Public (2) (3)	Discounts & Commissions	Interest Payment Frequency	First Payment	Survivor s		Subject to Redemption	Aggregate Principal Amount	Net Proceeds	OID Status
							Option	Yes/No	Date and terms of redemption			
78490FZH5	6.150%	12/15/2031	100%	2.500%	Monthly	09/15/06	No	Yes	Callable at 100% on 12/15/2011 and Continuous thereafter with 10 NY business days notice	1,563,000	1,523,925.00	N

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.**

- 1 The interest rates on the Ed Notes may be changed by SLM Corporation from time to time, but any such change will not affect the interest rate on any Ed Notes 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.