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> PRICING SUPPLEMENT NO. 3 DATED SEPTEMBER 26, 2002 FILED UNDER RULE 424(b)(3) (TO PROSPECTUS DATED SEPTEMBER 13, 2002 FILE NO. 333-90316 AND PROSPECTUS SUPPLEMENT DATED SEPTEMBER 13, 2002)

SLM CORPORATION Medium Term Notes, Series A Due 9 Months or Longer From the Date of Issue

Principal Amount: \$105,000,000			
Original Issue Date: October 1, 2002			
Maturity Date: July 1, 2005	Option to Extend Maturity: X No		
	_ Yes If Yes, Final Maturity Date:		
Redeemable at the option of the Company:		Redemption Price:	
	_ Yes	Redemption Dates:	
Repayment at the option of the Holder:		Repayment Price:	
	_ Yes	Repayment Dates:	
APPLICABLE TO FIXED RATE NOTES ONLY:			

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Interest Rate: 2.90% Interest Payment Dates: Each January 1s term of the Not

business day co January 2, 2003

as the case may to period end d

Interest Periods: From and includ or each January case may be, to succeeding June

Issue Price: 100%.

Agents' Commission: 0.207%.

Interest Accrual Method: 30/360

Net Proceeds: \$104,782,650.00

MERRILL LYNCH & CO.

September 26, 2002

Form: Book-entry.

Denominations: \$1,000 minimum and integral multiples of \$1,000 in

excess thereof.

Trustee: JPMorgan Chase Bank, formerly known as The Chase

Manhattan Bank.

Agent: Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated is

acting as underwriter in connection with this

issuance.

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