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Mr. Brian Johnson
Branch Chief
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Room 2531
100 F Street, NE
Washington, DC 20549

Dear Mr. Johnson:

The New York Stock Exchange certifies approval for listing and registration under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, SLM CORPORATION, CPI-Linked Medium Term Notes due January 16, 2018 (\$25 Par) and requests immediate acceleration of registration. Adequate distribution assured. Form 8-A received on February 15, 2006. Tentative listing date – February 16, 2006.

Sincerely,

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