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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 NORFOLK SOUTHERN CORP [NSC] Allison Clyde H Jr (Month/Day/Year) 04/01/2009 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) THREE COMMERCIAL (Check all applicable) **PLACE** (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group 10% Owner Director _X__ Officer Other Filing(Check Applicable Line) (give title below) (specify below) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Vice President and Controller Person NORFOLK, VAÂ 23510 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Â Common Stock (1) D 2,166 Common Stock $607 \frac{(2)}{2}$ I By 401(k) 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 information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a

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

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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
	(Month/Day/Year)	Derivative Security	or Exercise	Form of	Ownership
		(Instr. 4)	Price of	Derivative	(Instr. 5)

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Option to buy (granted 2002) $\frac{(3)}{}$	01/28/2003	01/27/2012	Common Stock	4,446	\$ 22.49	D	Â
Option to buy (granted 2003) $\frac{(3)}{}$	02/03/2004	02/02/2013	Common Stock	10,554	\$ 19.625	D	Â
Option to buy (granted 2004) $\underline{^{(3)}}$	01/30/2005	01/29/2014	Common Stock	13,500	\$ 22.02	D	Â
Option to buy (granted 2005) $\frac{(3)}{}$	01/28/2006	01/27/2015	Common Stock	3,000	\$ 34.1	D	Â
Option to buy (granted 2006) $\frac{(3)}{}$	01/27/2007	01/26/2016	Common Stock	2,300	\$ 49.425	D	Â
Option to buy (granted 2007) $\frac{(3)}{}$	01/25/2010	01/24/2017	Common Stock	3,600	\$ 49.555	D	Â
Option to buy (granted 2008) $\frac{(3)}{}$	01/24/2011	01/23/2018	Common Stock	3,600	\$ 50.74	D	Â
Option to buy (granted 2009) $\frac{(3)}{}$	01/29/2013	01/28/2019	Common Stock	3,600	\$ 38.705	D	Â
Restricted Stock Units	(4)	(4)	Common Stock	3,000 (4)	\$ (4)	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Allison Clyde H Jr THREE COMMERCIAL PLACE NORFOLK, VA 23510	Â	Â	Vice President and Controller	Â

Signatures

H. D. McFadden via P.O.A. for C. H. Allison, Jr. 04/02/2009

**Signature of Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- At its meeting on March 24, 2009, the Corporation's Board of Directors elected the reporting person to his current position and designated (1) him an "Executive Officer" for purposes of Section 16, effective April 1, 2009. Accordingly, this Form 3 reports the reporting person's direct and indirect holdings of Common Stock and derivative securities on the effective date of her designation.

Date

(2) Represents the approximate number of whole shares of Common Stock estimated -- on the basis of the unit accounting system used by the Plan Administrator -- as of March 31, 2009, to have been credited to the reporting person's account in the Norfolk Southern Corporation

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Thrift and Investment Plan (TIP), a trusteed 401(k) plan. In accordance with TIP's terms applicable to all participants, acquisitions were made at various times and at various prices.

- (3) Employee stock options (right to buy) granted under the Norfolk Southern Corporation Long-Term Investment Plan.
- (4) Reports the total number of Restricted Stock Units granted to the reporting person under the terms of the Norfolk Southern Corporation Long-Term Incentive Plan and Restricted Stock Unit Plan. These units ultimately will be satisfied in cash or in shares of stock.

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