HIXON JAMES A Form 4

January 31, 2011

## FORM 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * HIXON JAMES A			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NORFOLK SOUTHERN CORP [NSC]						5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)			
(Last) THREE CO	(First) (Middle) 3. Date of (Month/Date of MMERCIAL PLACE 01/27/20					nsaction			Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below)  Exec.VP-Law & Corp. Relations			
NORFOLK,	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table	I - Nor	ı-De	erivative S	ecurit	ies Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution any	med on Date, if Day/Year)	3. Transa Code (Instr.		4. Securities Acquiron(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)  (A) or		of	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	01/27/2011			Code A(1)	V	Amount 12,512	(D)	Price (1)	132,025	D		
Common Stock									7,681.7185 (2)	I	By 401(k) Plan	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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# Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amo Underlying Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	An or Nu of S
Option (right to buy) granted 2011	\$ 62.745	01/27/2011		A(3)	19,000	01/27/2015	01/26/2021	Common Stock	19
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(4)</u>	01/27/2011		A(4)	3,000 (4)	01/27/2016(4)	01/27/2016(4)	Common Stock	3,

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

HIXON JAMES A

THREE COMMERCIAL PLACE Exec.VP-Law & Corp. Relations

NORFOLK, VA 23510

### **Signatures**

H. D. McFadden, via P.O.A. for James A.

Hixon 01/31/2011

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(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).
- (1) Represents shares earned by the reporting person under the formula-based performance share feature of the Corporation's Long-Term Incentive Plan (a Rule 16b-3 plan).
- 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 January 27, 2011, to have been credited to the reporting person's account in the Norfolk Southern Corporation 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) Reports the grant to the reporting person of an option to purchase 19,000 shares of common stock under the Norfolk Southern Corporation Long-Term Incentive Plan (a Rule 16b-3 plan).

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Reports the number of Restricted Stock Units, exempt under Section 16(b), granted and credited to the account of the reporting person on January 27, 2011, under the terms of the Norfolk Southern Corporation Long-Term Incentive Plan. Each Unit is the economic equivalent of one share of Common Stock. These Units ultimately will be satisfied in Common Stock on January 27, 2016.

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