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See Instruction 1(b).

Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Squires 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 COMM	` '	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/26/2012	Director 10% Owner Other (specify below)		
	(Street)		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		
NORFOLK, VA 23510				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-D	erivative S	Securi	ties Acqu	ired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securition(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4)	posed	of (D)	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	01/26/2012		A <u>(1)</u>	24,013	A	(1)	83,399	D	
Common Stock	01/26/2012		F	9,074	D	\$ 75.14	74,325	D	
Common							132.8671 <u>(2)</u>	I	By 401(k)

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 2012	\$ 75.14	01/26/2012		A(3)	18,000	01/26/2016	01/25/2022	Common Stock	18
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(4)</u>	01/26/2012		A(4)	3,000 (4)	01/26/2017(4)	01/26/2017(4)	Common Stock	3,

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
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Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Squires James A

THREE COMMERCIAL PLACE E.V.P.-Finance & C.F.O.

NORFOLK, VA 23510

Signatures

H. D. McFadden, via P.O.A. for James A. Squires 01/30/2012

**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 26, 2012, 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)

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Reports the grant to the reporting person of an option to purchase shares of common stock under the Norfolk Southern Corporation Long-Term Incentive Plan (a Rule 16b-3 plan).

Reports the number of Restricted Stock Units, exempt under Section 16(b), granted and credited to the account of the reporting person on (4) January 26, 2012 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 26, 2017.

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