#### FORM 4

### **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  JOYCE BURTON M					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NORFOLK SOUTHERN CORP [ NSC ]									elationship o ck all applic Directo	able)	ng Per	son(s) to Is		
(Last)	(First)	•	idle)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/10/2004										Officer below)	(give title		Other (s below)	specify
235 MILESTONE LANE					4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
(Street) PENHOOK	VA	24	137											X		•		orting Perso	
(City)	(State	e) (Zip	)																
		Table	I - N	on-Deriva	tive Se	cur	ities	Acq	uired, I	Disp	osed of	, or B	ene	eficiall	y Owned				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transacti Date (Month/Day				Execution Date,			ate,	3. Transac Code (In 8)		4. Securit Disposed and 5)				5. Amou Securitie Benefici Owned Followin	es ally		: Direct	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
									Code	v	Amount	nount (A) or (D)		Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(IIIsu	. 4)	,msu. 4)
Common Stock													5,000			D			
			Tabl	e II - Deriva (e.g.,					,		sed of, o nvertible			•	/ned				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)  2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security  2. Conversion Date (Month/Day/Year) if any (Month/Day/Ye				ution Date,	4. Transac Code (Ir 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date E Expiration (Month/D		7. Title Amour Securi Underl Deriva Securi and 4)	nt of ties ying tive	3	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Numbe derivative Securitie Beneficia Owned Followin Reported Transacti (Instr. 4)	re es ally ng d tion(s)	10. Ownershi Form: Direct (D) or Indirec (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership		
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisal		Expiration Date	Title	1	Amount or Number of Shares					
Deferred Stock Units - Def. Compensation	(1)	09/10/2004			A <sup>(1)</sup>		8		(1)		(1)	Commo Stock		8	\$29.15 <sup>(1)</sup>	2,14	4	D	
Deferred Stock Units	(2)	09/10/2004			A <sup>(2)</sup>		13		(2)		(2)	Commo		13	\$28.92 <sup>(2)</sup>	4,04	1	D	

# Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Reports the number of deferred stock units—on the basis of the market value of the Common Stock on the dividend payment date—to have been credited to the reporting person's account in the Norfolk Southern Corporation Directors' Deferred Fee Plan. These deferred stock units ultimately will be satisfied in cash, not in shares of Common Stock upon the reporting person's retirement or at such other time as may be elected under the terms of the Directors' Deferred Fee Plan.
- 2. Reports the number of Deferred Stock Units, exempt under Section 16b(3), credited to the account of the reporting person as of September 10, 2004, under the terms of the Outside Directors' Deferred Stock Unit Program, on the basis of the market value of the Common Stock on the dividend payment date. These Units ultimately will be satisfied in cash, not in shares of Common Stock.

#### Remarks:

D.M. Martin, via P.O.A. for Burton M. Joyce \*\* Signature of Reporting Person

09/13/2004

Date

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

- \* 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).

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