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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934
 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>MCQUADE KATHRYN B</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>THREE COMMERCIAL PLACE</u> (Street) <u>NORFOLK VA 23510</u> (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>NORFOLK SOUTHERN CORP [NSC]</u> 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>09/20/2005</u> 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>Exec. V.P.-Planning & CIO</u> 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	09/20/2005		M ⁽¹⁾		20,000	A	\$15.475	79,924	D	
Common Stock	09/20/2005		S ⁽¹⁾		20,000	D	\$39	59,924	D	
Common Stock	09/20/2005		M		5,904	A	\$16.9375	65,828	D	
Common Stock	09/20/2005		F		2,608	D	\$38.355	63,220	D	
Common Stock								443 ⁽²⁾	I	By 401(k) Plan

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Option (granted 2001)	\$15.475	09/20/2005		M ⁽¹⁾		20,000 ⁽³⁾	01/29/2002	01/28/2011	Common Stock	20,000	(3)	40,000	D	
Option (granted 2000)	\$16.9375	09/20/2005		M		5,904 ⁽³⁾	01/31/2001	01/30/2010	Common Stock	5,904	(3)	0	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. Transaction pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan entered into by the Reporting Person on May 9, 2005.

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 September 20, 2005, to have been credited to the reporting person's account in the Norfolk Southern Corporation Thrift and Investment Plan (TIP), a trustee 401(k) plan. In accordance with TIP's terms applicable to all participants, acquisitions were made at various times and at various prices.

3. Reflects exercise and resulting cancellation of stock option, in a single transaction, exempt from Section 16(b). The stock option was granted under the Long-Term Incentive Plan (a Rule 16b-3 plan).

Remarks:

D. M. Martin, via P.O.A. for Kathryn B. McQuade 09/21/2005

** Signature of Reporting Person 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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