UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): April 7, 2008 (April 7, 2008)



NORFOLK SOUTHERN CORPORATION (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Virginia (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) **1-8339** (Commission File Number) **52-1188014** (IRS Employer Identification Number)

Three Commercial Place Norfolk, Virginia 23510-9241 (Address of principal executive offices) (757) 629-2680 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

No Change

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

[] Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

- [] Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- [] Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure

On April 7, 2008, the Registrant issued a Press Release, attached hereto as an Exhibit 99, reporting the settlement of litigation with Avondale Mills, Inc. arising from a January 6, 2005 accident in Graniteville, SC.

(d) Exhibits

The following exhibit is furnished as part of this Current Report on Form 8-K:

Exhibit Number Description

99 Press Release dated April 7, 2008

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

SIGNATURES

NORFOLK SOUTHERN CORPORATION (Registrant)

/s/ Reginald J. Chaney

Name: Reginald J. Chaney Title: Assistant Corporate Secretary

Date: April 7, 2008

<u>Exhibit Number</u> 99

Description Press Release dated April 7, 2008.



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE April 7, 2008

NORFOLK SOUTHERN REACHES AGREEMENT WITH AVONDALE MILLS TO SETTLE CLAIMS FROM GRANITEVILLE ACCIDENT

NORFOLK, VA. -- After four weeks of trial, Norfolk Southern Corporation and Avondale Mills have agreed to a confidential settlement of the lawsuit brought by Avondale arising from the January 6, 2005 accident in Graniteville, South Carolina. A portion of the settlement will not be reimbursed by insurance and will be recorded in the first quarter as an expense. This expense combined with other favorable claims-related adjustments will increase year-over-year operating expenses by \$13 million and reduce first quarter earnings by \$0.02 per diluted share.

Norfolk Southern Corporation (NYSE: NSC) is one of the nation's premier transportation companies. Its Norfolk Southern Railway subsidiary operates approximately 21,000 route miles in 22 states and the District of Columbia, serving every major container port in the eastern United States and providing superior connections to western rail carriers. Norfolk Southern operates the most extensive intermodal network in the East and is North America's largest rail carrier of metals and automotive products.

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