

NORFOLK SOUTHERN CORP  
Form 8-K  
August 18, 2005

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

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**FORM 8-K**

CURRENT REPORT  
PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(D)  
OF THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported):

August 18, 2005 (August 17, 2005)

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***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 No.)

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)

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- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- 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  
Item 8.01 Other Events

On Wednesday, August 17, 2005, the Registrant issued a Press Release, attached hereto as an exhibit, stating that U.S. District Judge Margaret Seymour approved a class action settlement agreement associated with Norfolk Southern Railway's January 6, 2005, derailment at Graniteville, South Carolina.

SIGNATURES

**NORFOLK SOUTHERN CORPORATION**  
(Registrant)

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Name: Dezora M. Martin  
Title: Corporate Secretary

Date: August 18, 2005

EXHIBIT INDEX

<u>Exhibit Number</u>	<u>Description</u>
99	Press Release dated August 17, 2005.