SEALE DONALD W

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * SEALE DONALD W			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 COM	(First) MERCIAI	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/27/2012	Director 10% Owner Other (specify below)		
NORFOLK,	(Street) VA 23510		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 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
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(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	le I - Non-I	Derivative S	Securi	ities Acqu	iired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly 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. Securit or(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4)	sposed	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	04/27/2012		M	25,459	A	\$ 22.02	108,114	D	
Common Stock	04/27/2012		S	25,459	D	\$ 73.42 (1)	82,655 <u>(2)</u>	D	
Common Stock							100,000	I	By GRATs
Common Stock							3,079.5012 (3)	I	By 401(k) Plan

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. 5. Number of TransactionDerivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) 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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Option to buy (granted 2004)	\$ 22.02	04/27/2012		M		25,459 (4)	01/30/2005	01/29/2014	Common Stock	25,459

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SEALE DONALD W Exec.
THREE COMMERCIAL PLACE V.P. and
NORFOLK, VA 23510 CMO

Signatures

H. D. McFadden, via P.O.A. for D. W. Seale 04/30/2012

**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) The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$73.38 to \$73.48, inclusive.
- (2) Excludes 100,000 shares which remain held indirectly in grantor retained annuity trusts (GRATs), previously held directly.

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 April 27, 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.

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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).

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