

NORFOLK SOUTHERN CORP  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(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) (First) (Middle)  
 THREE COMMERCIAL PLACE  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 11/09/2004

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 Exec. V.P.-Sales & Mktg.

NORFOLK, VA 23510

(City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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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	11/09/2004		S			200	D	\$ 35.44	50,876	D	
Common Stock	11/09/2004		S			11,700	D	\$ 35.45	39,176	D	
Common Stock	11/09/2004		S			600	D	\$ 35.46	38,576	D	
Common Stock	11/09/2004		S			7,300	D	\$ 35.47	31,276	D	
Common Stock	11/09/2004		S			200	D	\$ 35.53	31,076	D	

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Common Stock	11/10/2004	M	20,000	A	\$ 16.9375	51,076	D	
Common Stock						8,117 <sup>(1)</sup>	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. 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 Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title
Option (granted 2000)	\$ 16.9375	11/10/2004		M <sup>(2)</sup>	20,000 <sup>(2)</sup>	01/31/2001 01/30/2010	Common Stock
Stock Units (Deferred)	<sup>(3)</sup>	11/10/2004 <sup>(3)</sup>		D	2,061.5972 <sup>(3)</sup>	11/10/2004 11/10/2004	Common Stock

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SEALE DONALD W THREE COMMERCIAL PLACE NORFOLK, VA 23510			Exec. V.P.-Sales & Mktg.	

## Signatures

D. M. Martin, via P.O.A. for D. W. Seale 11/12/2004

\*\*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).

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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 November 10, 2004, the last date on which a formal statement was available, 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.

- (2) Reflects exercise and resulting cancellation of stock option, in a single transaction, exempt under Rule 16b-3. The stock option was granted under the Long-Term Incentive Plan (a Rule 16b-3 plan).
- (3) Reports cash payment to the reporting person of deferred stock units paid as dividend equivalents on stock options held under the Long-Term Incentive Plan (a Rule 16b-3 plan) based on the Fair Market Value of the Common Stock on November 10, 2004.

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