

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 *
 CARTER GENE R

(Last) (First) (Middle)

1703 NORTH BEAUREGARD STREET

(Street)

ALEXANDRIA, VA 22311-1714

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 NORFOLK SOUTHERN CORP
 [NSC]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 09/10/2005

4. If Amendment, Date 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)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price | | | |
| Common Stock | | | | | 3,100 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | 50 | I ⁽¹⁾ | Lillian Y. Carter Living Trust |

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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units ultimately will be satisfied in cash, not in shares of Common Stock, upon the reporting person's retirement or at such other time as may be elected under the terms of the Directors' Deferred Fee Plan.

- Reports the number of Deferred Stock Units, exempt under Rule 16b-3, credited to the account of the reporting person as of September
- (3) 10, 2005, under the terms of the Outside Directors' Deferred Stock Unit Program, on the basis of the market value of the Common Stock on the dividend payment date. These Units ultimately will be satisfied in cash, not in shares of Common Stock.

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