

BOWLES ERSKINE B  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

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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 \*  
**BOWLES ERSKINE B**

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)  
**6725 OLD PROVIDENCE ROAD**  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**03/30/2012**

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

**CHARLOTTE, NC 28226**

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock				(A) or (D) Price	3,076.7845 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	

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)**

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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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)				
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Deferred Stock Units - Dir. Def. Fee Plan	(2)	03/30/2012		A(2)	341.7895	(2)	(2)			Common Stock	341.7895

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BOWLES ERSKINE B 6725 OLD PROVIDENCE ROAD CHARLOTTE, NC 28226	X			

## Signatures

H. D. McFadden via POA for Erskine B. Bowles	04/03/2012
**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) Includes 76.7845 shares of Common Stock acquired by the reporting person as a result of participating in the Norfolk Southern Corporation Dividend Reinvestment Plan.
- (2) Reports the number of deferred stock units--on the basis of the market value of the Common Stock on the last trading day of each quarter--credited to the reporting person's account in the Norfolk Southern Corporation Directors' Deferred Fee Plan for deferral of quarterly fees. These deferred stock units ultimately will be satisfied in cash, not in shares of Common Stock, upon the reporting person's retirement or other termination of services, or at such other time as may be elected under the terms of the Directors' Deferred Fee Plan.

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