NORFOLK SOUTHERN CORP Form 8-K May 18, 2011

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported):
May 18, 2011 (May 18, 2011)

NORFOLK SOUTHERN CORPORATION

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Virginia 1-8339 52-1188014

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) (Commission File Number)

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

Three Commercial Place
Norfolk, Virginia
23510-9241

(757) 629-2680

(Address of principal executive offices)

No Change

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- oWritten communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 8.01. Other Events

This Current Report on Form 8-K (this \square Report \square) is filed for the purpose of incorporating the contents of this Report in the Registration Statement on Form S-3 (No. 333-158240) (the \square Registration Statement \square) and filing the attached Exhibit No. 12.1 as an exhibit to the Registration Statement.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

The following exhibits are filed as part of this Report on Form 8-K:

Exhibit	<u>Description</u>
<u>Number</u>	
12.1	Computation of Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges for the three month period ended March 31, 2011 and each of the five fiscal years in the five-year period ended December 31, 2010.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

NORFOLK SOUTHERN CORPORATION (Registrant)

By: /s/ Reginald J. Chaney
Name: Reginald J. Chaney

Title: Assistant Corporate Secretary

Date: May 18, 2011

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