

NORFOLK SOUTHERN CORP
Form 8-K
May 27, 2016

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 27, 2016 (May 26, 2016)

NORFOLK SOUTHERN CORPORATION
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Virginia
(State or Other Jurisdiction
of Incorporation)

1-8339
(Commission File
Number)

52-1188014
(IRS Employer
Identification Number)

Three Commercial Place
Norfolk, Virginia
23510-9241
(Address of principal executive
offices)

757-629-2680
(Registrant's telephone number, including area
code)

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:

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 - ☐ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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- Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement
- Item 1.02 Termination of a Material Definitive Agreement
- Item 2.03 Creation of a Direct Financial Obligation of a Registrant

On May 26, 2016, the Registrant entered into an agreement, attached hereto as Exhibit 10.1, establishing a 5-year, \$750 million, unsecured revolving credit facility (the “Agreement”) under which the Registrant can borrow for general corporate purposes. The other parties to the Agreement are Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., as Administrative Agent and as a Lender; Bank of America, N.A., and Citibank, N.A., each as a Syndication Agent and as a Lender; Goldman Sachs Bank USA, Morgan Stanley Senior Funding, Inc., and The Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi UFJ, Ltd., each as a Documentation Agent and as a Lender; and Fifth Third Bank, PNC Bank, National Association, Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation, The Northern Trust Company, and U.S. Bank National Association, as Lenders that are signatories to the Agreement, as well as other parties that may become Lenders from time to time under the Agreement’s provisions.

Interest rates under the facility vary based on the type of loan made and range from the Prime Rate of Wells Fargo Bank to incremental increases over LIBOR, with such increases based in some cases on the rating of the Registrant’s unsecured long-term debt. The Agreement also has typical financial covenants, including covenants pertaining to the Registrant’s consolidated total capital and related borrowing ratios, as well as limitations on other debt that may be incurred by the Registrant’s subsidiaries, all as more fully described in the attached Exhibit.

With respect to the other parties to the Agreement, the Registrant has or may have had customary banking relationships based on the provision of a variety of financial services, including pension fund, cash management, investment banking, and equipment financing and leasing services, none of which are material individually or in the aggregate with respect to any individual party.

No direct financial obligations of the Registrant have arisen under the Agreement as of the date hereof.

The Agreement replaces the Registrant’s existing \$750 million credit facility under an agreement dated as of December 14, 2011 (the “Prior Agreement”), that was terminated by the Registrant on May 26, 2016, in advance of its stated termination date and without any early termination penalties being incurred by the Registrant. The other parties to the Prior Agreement as of December 14, 2011, were JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as Administrative Agent and as a Lender; Bank of America, N.A., Citibank, N.A., and Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., each as a Syndication Agent and as a Lender; Goldman Sachs Bank USA, Morgan Stanley Senior Funding, Inc., and The Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi UFJ, Ltd., each as a Documentation Agent and as a Lender; and Fifth Third Bank, PNC Bank, National Association, Sumitomo Mitsui Banking Corporation, The Northern Trust Company, and U.S. Bank National Association, as Lenders.

The terms of the Prior Agreement are substantially and in all material respects similar to the terms of the Agreement. With respect to the other parties to the Prior Agreement, the Registrant has customary banking relationships based on the provision of a variety of financial services, including pension fund, cash management, investment banking, and equipment financing and leasing services, none of which are material individually or in the aggregate with respect to any individual party.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

The following exhibit is filed as part of this Current Report on Form 8-K:

Exhibit Number	Description
10.1	Credit Agreement dated as of May 26, 2016, establishing a 5-year, \$750 million, unsecured revolving credit facility of the Registrant

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

SIGNATURES

NORFOLK SOUTHERN CORPORATION
(Registrant)

/s/ Denise W. Hutson

Name: Denise W. Hutson

Title: Corporate Secretary

Date: May 27, 2016

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