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Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)

Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))  
Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter). Emerging growth company.

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

**Item 8.01. Other Events.**

This Current Report on Form 8-K (this Report ) is filed for the purpose of incorporating the contents of this Report in the Registration Statement on Form S-3 (No. 333-222869) (the Registration Statement ) 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 exhibit is filed as part of this Current Report on Form 8-K:

<b>Exhibit No.</b>	<b>Description</b>
12.1	<u>Computation of Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges for the six-month period ended June 30, 2018 and each of the five fiscal years in the five-year period ended December 31, 2017.</u>

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: July 30, 2018