

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 * NOBER, ROGER (Last) (First) (Middle) 2500 Lou Menk Drive, AOB-3 (Street) Fort Worth, TX 76131 (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BURLINGTON NORTHERN SANTA FE CORP [BNI] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/27/2009 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) ___ Director ___ 10% Owner ___X___ Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below) EVP - Law and Secretary 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) ___X___ Form filed by One Reporting Person ___ Form filed by More than 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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			

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)**

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)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date					
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$64.97	04/27/2009		A		45,660		(1)	04/27/2019	Common Stock, \$0.01 par value	\$ 0	45,660	D	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
NOBER, ROGER 2500 Lou Menk Drive, AOB-3 Fort Worth, TX 76131			EVP - Law and Secretary	

Signatures

Roger Nober, by Judy K. Carter, Attorney-in-Fact

*Signature of Reporting Person

04/29/2009

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) Stock option grant with tandem withholding rights pursuant to the Burlington Northern Santa Fe 1999 Stock Incentive Plan, which vests in three equal installments on April 27, 2010, April 27, 2011, and April 27, 2012.

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