DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FEDERAL RAILROAD ADMINISTRATION FALSE PROCEED SIGNAL REPORT									REPORT FOR (month/year) October 2000			
FALSE FROOLED SIGNAL REPORT									DATE October 17, 2000			
·									REPORTING CARRIER  Norfolk Southern Corporation			
MAIL TO Mr. Michael Woods Federal Railroad Adminis							4zatio m		Division: Dearborn REPORTING OFFICER			
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									Chief Engineer - Northern Region Communications & Signal Department			
TYPE OF SYSTEM							DATE	LOCOMOTIVE NUMBER	DEVICE THAT FAILED		LOCATION (city and state)	
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INTERLOCKING AUTO- MATIC  REMOTE MANUAL					MATH	C						
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OTHER (specify)												

NATURE AND CAUSE OF FAILURE / CORRECTIVE ACTION TAKEN

At approximately 8:30 a.m., October 7, 2000 the train crew of #41M, Lisa Freeman Conductor and , Engineer, were stopped at the 2W signal at CP 466 when they observed the signal upgrade to approach with a train setting, and visible, in the block ahead.

Investigation by C&S personnel confirmed what the train crew saw and it was confirmed that signal 2W improperly displayed an approach aspect with track ahead occupied. From the tests and simulations we identified a failure of the 4661 WHPR relay, a GRS 194 OHM Slow Release Relay, which remained stuck "up" when the battery to its coils was removed. Relay was replaced and signal 2W was returned to service at 10:30 p.m., October 7, 2000.



