

# FORM 6-K

## SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

**Report of Foreign Private Issuer**

**Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16  
of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

July 31, 2003

# JAMES HARDIE INDUSTRIES N.V.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

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1077 ZX Amsterdam, The Netherlands  
(Address of principal executive offices)

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**Safe Harbor Statement**

The exhibit attached to this Form 6-K contains forward-looking statements. Words such as “believe,” “anticipate,” “plan,” “expect,” “intend,” “target,” “estimate,” “project,” “predict,” “forecast,” “guideline,” “should,” “aim” and similar expressions are intended to identify forward-looking statements but are not the exclusive means of identifying such statements. Forward-looking statements involve inherent risks and uncertainties. We caution you that a number of important factors could cause actual results to differ materially from the plans, objectives, expectations, estimates and intentions expressed in such forward-looking statements. These factors, which are further discussed in our reports submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission on Forms 20-F and 6-K and in our other filings, include but are not limited to: competition and product pricing in the markets in which we operate; general economic and market conditions; compliance with, and possible changes in, environmental and health and safety laws; dependence on cyclical construction markets; the supply and cost of raw materials; our reliance on a small number of product distributors; the consequences of product failures or defects; exposure to environmental or other legal proceedings; and risks of conducting business internationally. We caution you that the foregoing list of factors is not exclusive and that other risks and uncertainties may cause actual results to differ materially from those contained in forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements speak only as of the date they are made.

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99.1	Board Nominations

**SIGNATURES**

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, thereunto duly authorized.

**James Hardie Industries N.V.**

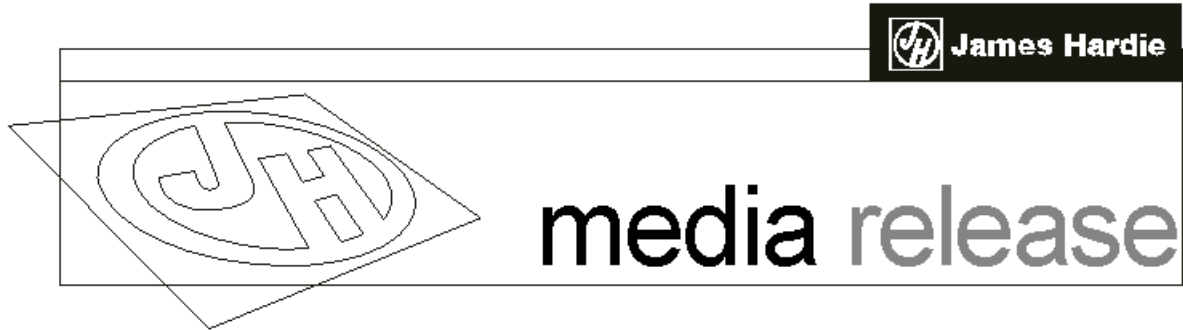
Date: July 31, 2003

By: /s/ Peter Shafron

Peter Shafron  
Secretary

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2 July 2003

**Peter Cameron and Donald McGauchie  
nominated for James Hardie Board**

James Hardie today announced that two new independent directors will stand for election to the board of James Hardie Industries NV at the Annual General Meeting to be held in August 2003. The candidates are Mr **Peter Cameron** and Mr **Donald McGauchie**.

**Mr Cameron** has a distinguished background in financial services and the law. He is Chairman of Investment Banking in Australia and a Managing Director of Credit Suisse First Boston. He was formerly a partner and Head of Mergers and Acquisitions with the Australian law firm, Allens Arthur Robinson, providing a wide range of strategic, corporate and securities advice to public companies.

Mr Cameron has advised in some of Australia's largest corporate takeovers, mergers and corporate reconstructions. These include the BHP Billiton and Brambles dual-listed company mergers, the Optus takeover by SingTel, the competing bids for Normandy Mining by AngloGold and Newmont Mining, Pioneer's takeover by Hanson and Rio Tinto's takeover of North. More recently, he was involved in CSR's demerger of Rinker and the Burns Philp takeover of Goodman Fielder.

He advised James Hardie for several years, including in connection with the reorganisation in 2001 which resulted in the current group structure.

Mr Cameron is a member of the Australian Takeovers Panel. He is a resident of Australia.

**Mr McGauchie** is Chairman of Rural Finance Corporation of Victoria, Deputy Chairman of Ridley Corporation and the Australian Wool Testing Authority Limited.

He is a Director of The Reserve Bank of Australia, Telstra Corporation Limited and National Foods Limited.

Mr McGauchie has submitted his resignation as a Director of GrainCorp Limited, effective the end of July 2003, having been a Director since 1995.

Mr McGauchie has had extensive commercial and public policy experience, having previously held several high-level advisory positions to government, including the Prime Minister's Supermarket to Asia Council, the Foreign Affairs Council and the Trade Policy Advisory Council.

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He was Chairman of Woolstock Australia Limited from 1999-2002 and President of the National Farmers Federation from 1994-1998. In 2003, Mr McGauchie was awarded the Centenary Medal for service to Australian society through agriculture and business. Mr McGauchie is a resident of Australia.

James Hardie's Chairman, Mr Alan McGregor said the appointment of Messrs Cameron and McGauchie would further strengthen the James Hardie board as it continues to grow its focused fibre cement business.

"Peter Cameron and Donald McGauchie have earned distinguished reputations and have substantial international experience that will be valuable to James Hardie as it expands further," said Mr McGregor.

James Hardie also plans to nominate an additional US resident independent director to its board during this year.

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