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

January 30, 2004

JAMES HARDIE INDUSTRIES N.V.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

4th Level, Atrium, unit 04-07 Strawinskylaan 3077 1077 ZX Amsterdam, The Netherlands (Address of principal executive offices)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover Form 20-F or Form 40-F.

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Yes No ..X...

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Safe Harbor Statement

The exhibit attached to this Form 6-K contains forward-looking statements. Words such as "believe," "anticipate," "pract," "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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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: January 30, 2004 By: /s/ Folkert Zwinkels

Folkert Zwinkels Managing Director

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27 January 2004

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Dear Sir/Madam

James Hardie will conduct a management briefing of its 3rd Quarter Results on Thursday, 12 February 2004 in Sydney and on Friday, 13 February 2004 in Melbourne.

The management briefing in Sydney will commence at 11.00am. A teleconference and audio webcast will be available on the following:

Domestic: 03 8660 4927 International: +61 3 8660 4927

URL: http://blacksheepevents.apstream.net/jamesHardieFeb04/

Yours faithfully

/s/ Greg Baxter

GREG BAXTER EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT