

**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

FORM 6-K

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

March 22, 2006

1-15240
(Commission File Number)

JAMES HARDIE INDUSTRIES N.V.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Atrium, 8th floor
Strawinskyiaan 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.

Form 20-F Form 40-F

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is submitting the Form 6-K in paper as permitted
by Regulation S-T Rule 101(b)(1): Not Applicable

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is submitting the Form 6-K in paper as permitted
by Regulation S-T Rule 101(b)(7): Not Applicable

Indicate by check mark whether by furnishing the information contained in this Form, the
registrant is also thereby furnishing the information to the Commission pursuant to
Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Yes No

(If "Yes" is marked, indicate below the file number assigned to the registrant in
connection with Rule 12g3-2(b): Not Applicable

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Safe Harbor Statement

The exhibit attached to this form 6-K contains forward-looking statements. We may from time to time make forward-looking statements in our periodic reports filed with or furnished to the United States Securities and Exchange Commission on Forms 20-F and 6-K, in our annual reports to shareholders, in offering circulars and prospectuses, in media releases and other written materials and in oral statements made by our officers, directors or employees to analysts, institutional investors, representatives of the media and others. Examples of forward-looking statements include:

- expectations that the conditions precedent to the Final Funding Agreement will be satisfied;
- expectations about payments to a special purpose fund for the compensation of proven asbestos-related personal injury and death claims;
- projections of our operating results or financial condition;
- statements regarding our plans, objectives or goals, including those relating to competition, acquisitions, dispositions and our products;
- statements about our future performance; and
- statements about product or environmental liabilities.

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, some of which are discussed under “Risk Factors” beginning on page 6 of our Form 20-F filed on 7 July 2005 with the Securities and Exchange Commission, include but are not limited to: all matters relating to or arising out of the prior manufacture of products that contained asbestos by current and former James Hardie Australian subsidiaries; the settlement of those claims; compliance with and changes in tax laws and treatments; competition and product pricing in the markets in which we operate; the consequences of product failures or defects; exposure to environmental, asbestos or other legal proceedings; general economic and market conditions; the supply and cost of raw materials; the success of our research and development efforts; our reliance on a small number of product distributors; compliance with and changes in environmental and health and safety laws; risks of conducting business internationally; compliance with and changes in laws and regulations; foreign exchange risks; the successful implementation of new software systems; and the successful transition of our new senior management. 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 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: March 22, 2006

By: /s/ Benjamin Butterfield

Benjamin Butterfield
Secretary

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1	+Class of +securities issued or to be issued	Ordinary shares/CUFS
2	Number of +securities issued or to be issued (if known) or maximum number which may be issued	24,000 ordinary shares/CUFS
3	Principal terms of the +securities (eg, if options, exercise price and expiry date; if partly paid +securities, the amount outstanding and due dates for payment; if +convertible securities, the conversion price and dates for conversion)	24,000 ordinary shares/CUFS issues on exercise of options.

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<p>5 Issue price or consideration</p>	<p>Allotment of shares/CUFS on exercise of 11,500 options at A\$7.05 each; 12,500 options at A\$5.99 each.</p>							
<p>6 Purpose of the issue (If issued as consideration for the acquisition of assets, clearly identify those assets)</p>	<p>Exercise of options</p>							
<p>7 Dates of entering +securities into uncertificated holdings or despatch of certificates</p>	<p>3 March 2006</p>							
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		20,207,042	Options

10	Dividend policy (in the case of a trust, distribution policy) on the increased capital (interests)	Rank for dividends equally with issued ordinary shares/CUFS.
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Part 2 — Bonus issue or pro rata issue

11	Is security holder approval required?	Not applicable
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12	Is the issue renounceable or non-renounceable?	Not applicable
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13	Ratio in which the +securities will be offered	Not applicable
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14	+Class of +securities to which the offer relates	Not applicable
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15	+Record date to determine entitlements	Not applicable
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16	Will holdings on different registers (or subregisters) be aggregated for calculating entitlements?	Not applicable
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17	Policy for deciding entitlements in relation to fractions	Not applicable
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18	Names of countries in which the entity has +security holders who will not be sent new issue documents Note: Security holders must be told how their entitlements are to be dealt with. Cross reference: rule 7.7.	Not applicable
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Part 3 — Quotation of securities

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34 Type of securities
(tick one)

(a) Securities described in Part 1

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Example: restricted securities at the end of the escrowed period, partly paid securities that become fully paid, employee incentive share securities when restriction ends, securities issued on expiry or conversion of convertible securities

Entities that have ticked box 34(a)

Additional securities forming a new class of securities

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- 35 If the +securities are +equity securities, the names of the 20 largest holders of the additional+securities, and the number and percentage of additional +securities held by those holders
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2	Number of +securities issued or to be issued (if known) or maximum number which may be issued	5,000 ordinary shares/CUFS
3	Principal terms of the +securities (eg, if options, exercise price and expiry date; if partly paid +securities, the amount outstanding and due dates for payment; if +convertible securities, the conversion price and dates for conversion)	5,000 ordinary shares/CUFS issues on exercise of options.

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<p>5 Issue price or consideration</p>	<p>Allotment of shares/CUFS on exercise of 5,000 options at A\$5.99 each.</p>	
<p>6 Purpose of the issue (If issued as consideration for the acquisition of assets, clearly identify those assets)</p>	<p>Exercise of options</p>	
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<p>8 Number and +class of all +securities quoted on ASX (<i>including</i> the securities in clause 2 if applicable)</p>	<p>Number</p> <p>462,598,026</p>	<p>+Class</p> <p>shares/CUFS</p>

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9	Number and +class of all +securities not quoted on ASX (<i>including</i> the securities in clause 2 if applicable)	Number	+Class
		20,186,542 The following options have been cancelled at each exercise price: 8,000 at A\$8.90 each; 7,500 at A\$5.99 each.	Options

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<p>4 Do the +securities rank equally in all respects from the date of allotment with an existing +class of quoted +securities?</p> <p>If the additional securities do not rank equally, please state:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the date from which they do • the extent to which they participate for the next dividend, (in the case of a trust, distribution) or interest payment • the extent to which they do not rank equally, other than in relation to the next dividend, distribution or interest payment 	<p>Yes, rank equally with issued ordinary shares/CUFS</p>	
<p>5 Issue price or consideration</p>	<p>Allotment of shares/CUFS on exercise of 6,500 options at A\$6.449 each; 20,000 options at A\$7.05 each; 13,750 options at A\$5.99 each.</p>	
<p>6 Purpose of the issue (If issued as consideration for the acquisition of assets, clearly identify those assets)</p>	<p>Exercise of options</p>	
<p>7 Dates of entering +securities into uncertificated holdings or despatch of certificates</p>	<p>8 March 2006</p>	
<p>8 Number and +class of all +securities quoted on ASX (<i>including</i> the securities in clause 2 if applicable)</p>	<p>Number</p>	<p>+Class</p>
	<p>462,697,746</p>	<p>shares/CUFS</p>

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9	Number and +class of all +securities not quoted on ASX (<i>including</i> the securities in clause 2 if applicable)	Number	+Class
		20,086,822	Options

10	Dividend policy (in the case of a trust, distribution policy) on the increased capital (interests)	Rank for dividends equally with issued ordinary shares/CUFS.
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Part 2 — Bonus issue or pro rata issue

11	Is security holder approval required?	Not applicable
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12	Is the issue renounceable or non-renounceable?	Not applicable
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13	Ratio in which the +securities will be offered	Not applicable
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14	+Class of +securities to which the offer relates	Not applicable
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15	+Record date to determine entitlements	Not applicable
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16	Will holdings on different registers (or subregisters) be aggregated for calculating entitlements?	Not applicable
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17	Policy for deciding entitlements in relation to fractions	Not applicable
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18	Names of countries in which the entity has +security holders who will not be sent new issue documents Note: Security holders must be told how their entitlements are to be dealt with. Cross reference: rule 7.7.	Not applicable
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19	Closing date for receipt of acceptances or renunciations	Not applicable
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22	Names of any brokers to the issue	Not applicable
23	Fee or commission payable to the broker to the issue	Not applicable
24	Amount of any handling fee payable to brokers who lodge acceptances or renunciations on behalf of +security holders	Not applicable
25	If the issue is contingent on +security holders' approval, the date of the meeting	Not applicable
26	Date entitlement and acceptance form and prospectus or Product Disclosure Statement will be sent to persons entitled	Not applicable
27	If the entity has issued options, and the terms entitle option holders to participate on exercise, the date on which notices will be sent to option holders	Not applicable
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30	How do +security holders sell their entitlements <i>in full</i> through a broker?	Not applicable
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- 33 +Despatch date

Part 3 — Quotation of securities

You need only complete this section if you are applying for quotation of securities

34 Type of securities
(tick one)

(a) Securities described in Part 1

(b) All other securities

Example: restricted securities at the end of the escrowed period, partly paid securities that become fully paid, employee incentive share securities when restriction ends, securities issued on expiry or conversion of convertible securities

Entities that have ticked box 34(a)

Additional securities forming a new class of securities

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- 35 If the +securities are +equity securities, the names of the 20 largest holders of the additional+securities, and the number and percentage of additional +securities held by those holders
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Entities that have ticked box 34(b)

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39	Class of +securities for which quotation is sought		
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41	<p>Reason for request for quotation now</p> <p>Example: In the case of restricted securities, end of restriction period</p> <p>(if issued upon conversion of another security, clearly identify that other security)</p>		
42	Number and +class of all +securities quoted on ASX (<i>including</i> the securities in clause 38)	Number	+Class

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Name of entity

James Hardie Industries N.V.

ABN

097 829 895

We (the entity) give ASX the following information.

Part 1 — All issues

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1	+Class of +securities issued or to be issued	Ordinary shares/CUFS
2	Number of +securities issued or to be issued (if known) or maximum number which may be issued	10,000 ordinary shares/CUFS
3	Principal terms of the +securities (eg, if options, exercise price and expiry date; if partly paid +securities, the amount outstanding and due dates for payment; if +convertible securities, the conversion price and dates for conversion)	10,000 ordinary shares/CUFS issues on exercise of options.

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<p>5 Issue price or consideration</p>	<p>Allotment of shares/CUFS on exercise of 10,000 options at A\$5.99 each.</p>	
<p>6 Purpose of the issue (If issued as consideration for the acquisition of assets, clearly identify those assets)</p>	<p>Exercise of options</p>	
<p>7 Dates of entering +securities into uncertificated holdings or despatch of certificates</p>	<p>9 March 2006</p>	
<p>8 Number and +class of all +securities quoted on ASX (<i>including</i> the securities in clause 2 if applicable)</p>	<p>Number</p> <p>462,707,746</p>	<p>+Class</p> <p>shares/CUFS</p>

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		20,076,822	Options

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1	+Class of +securities issued or to be issued	Ordinary shares/CUFS
2	Number of +securities issued or to be issued (if known) or maximum number which may be issued	143,701 ordinary shares/CUFS
3	Principal terms of the +securities (eg, if options, exercise price and expiry date; if partly paid +securities, the amount outstanding and due dates for payment; if +convertible securities, the conversion price and dates for conversion)	143,701 ordinary shares/CUFS issues on exercise of options.

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<p>5 Issue price or consideration</p>	<p>Allotment of shares/CUFS on exercise of 50,662 options at A\$3.0921 each; 36,539 options at A\$5.0586 each; 56,500 options at A\$6.449 each.</p>					
<p>6 Purpose of the issue (If issued as consideration for the acquisition of assets, clearly identify those assets)</p>	<p>Exercise of options</p>					
<p>7 Dates of entering +securities into uncertificated holdings or despatch of certificates</p>	<p>10 March 2006</p>					
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		19,933,121	Options

10	Dividend policy (in the case of a trust, distribution policy) on the increased capital (interests)	Rank for dividends equally with issued ordinary shares/CUFS.
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Part 2 — Bonus issue or pro rata issue

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2	Number of +securities issued or to be issued (if known) or maximum number which may be issued	87,500 ordinary shares/CUFS 40,200 options granted on 8 March 2006															
3	Principal terms of the +securities (eg, if options, exercise price and expiry date; if partly paid +securities, the amount outstanding and due dates for payment; if +convertible securities, the conversion price and dates for conversion)	87,500 ordinary shares/CUFS issues on exercise of options. 40,200 new options have been granted under the terms of the 2001 Equity Incentive Plan. Each option confers the rights to subscribe for one share/CUFS. The options may be exercised as follows: <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Quantity</th> <th>exercise date</th> <th>exercise price</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>10,050</td> <td>8 March 2007</td> <td>A\$9.50</td> </tr> <tr> <td>10,050</td> <td>8 March 2008</td> <td>A\$9.50</td> </tr> <tr> <td>20,100</td> <td>8 March 2009</td> <td>A\$9.50</td> </tr> <tr> <td>40,200</td> <td>total</td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table> Options not exercised will lapse on 8 March 2016.	Quantity	exercise date	exercise price	10,050	8 March 2007	A\$9.50	10,050	8 March 2008	A\$9.50	20,100	8 March 2009	A\$9.50	40,200	total	
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<p>5 Issue price or consideration</p>	<p>Allotment of shares/CUFS on exercise of 40,000 options at A\$7.05 each; 22,500 options at A\$6.449 each; 25,000 options at A\$5.99 each. No consideration was paid for grant of 40,200 options.</p>				
<p>6 Purpose of the issue (If issued as consideration for the acquisition of assets, clearly identify those assets)</p>	<p>Exercise of options 40,200 options granted as awards under the Equity Incentive Plan which is intended to promote the Company's long term financial interests by encouraging management and other employees to acquire an ownership position in the Company, aligning the interests of participants with those of the Company's security holders and encouraging and rewarding their performance.</p>				
<p>7 Dates of entering +securities into uncertificated holdings or despatch of certificates</p>	<p>87,500 shares/CUFS: 13 March 2006</p>				
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Part 2 — Bonus issue or pro rata issue

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12	Is the issue renounceable or non-renounceable?	Not applicable
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New issue announcement, application for quotation of additional securities and agreement

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Name of entity

James Hardie Industries N.V.

ABN

097 829 895

We (the entity) give ASX the following information.

Part 1 — All issues

You must complete the relevant sections (attach sheets if there is not enough space).

1	+Class of +securities issued or to be issued	Ordinary shares/CUFS
2	Number of +securities issued or to be issued (if known) or maximum number which may be issued	29,250 ordinary shares/CUFS
3	Principal terms of the +securities (eg, if options, exercise price and expiry date; if partly paid +securities, the amount outstanding and due dates for payment; if +convertible securities, the conversion price and dates for conversion)	29,250 ordinary shares/CUFS issues on exercise of options.

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<p>4 Do the +securities rank equally in all respects from the date of allotment with an existing +class of quoted +securities?</p> <p>If the additional securities do not rank equally, please state:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the date from which they do • the extent to which they participate for the next dividend, (in the case of a trust, distribution) or interest payment • the extent to which they do not rank equally, other than in relation to the next dividend, distribution or interest payment 	<p>Yes, rank equally with issued ordinary shares/CUFS</p>					
<p>5 Issue price or consideration</p>	<p>Allotment of shares/CUFS on exercise of 7,000 options at A\$5.99 each; 9,750 options at A\$7.05 each; 12,500 options at A\$6.449 each.</p>					
<p>6 Purpose of the issue (If issued as consideration for the acquisition of assets, clearly identify those assets)</p>	<p>Exercise of options</p>					
<p>7 Dates of entering +securities into uncertificated holdings or despatch of certificates</p>	<p>16 March 2006</p>					
<p>8 Number and +class of all +securities quoted on ASX (<i>including</i> the securities in clause 2 if applicable)</p>	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Number</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>462,968,197</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Number	462,968,197	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>+Class</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>shares/CUFS</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	+Class	shares/CUFS
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462,968,197						
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9	Number and +class of all +securities not quoted on ASX (<i>including</i> the securities in clause 2 if applicable)	Number	+Class
		19,856,571	Options

10	Dividend policy (in the case of a trust, distribution policy) on the increased capital (interests)	Rank for dividends equally with issued ordinary shares/CUFS.
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Part 2 — Bonus issue or pro rata issue

11	Is security holder approval required?	Not applicable
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12	Is the issue renounceable or non-renounceable?	Not applicable
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13	Ratio in which the +securities will be offered	Not applicable
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14	+Class of +securities to which the offer relates	Not applicable
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15	+Record date to determine entitlements	Not applicable
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16	Will holdings on different registers (or subregisters) be aggregated for calculating entitlements?	Not applicable
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17	Policy for deciding entitlements in relation to fractions	Not applicable
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18	Names of countries in which the entity has +security holders who will not be sent new issue documents Note: Security holders must be told how their entitlements are to be dealt with. Cross reference: rule 7.7.	Not applicable
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19	Closing date for receipt of acceptances or renunciations	Not applicable
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20	Names of any underwriters	Not applicable
21	Amount of any underwriting fee or commission	Not applicable
22	Names of any brokers to the issue	Not applicable
23	Fee or commission payable to the broker to the issue	Not applicable
24	Amount of any handling fee payable to brokers who lodge acceptances or renunciations on behalf of +security holders	Not applicable
25	If the issue is contingent on +security holders' approval, the date of the meeting	Not applicable
26	Date entitlement and acceptance form and prospectus or Product Disclosure Statement will be sent to persons entitled	Not applicable
27	If the entity has issued options, and the terms entitle option holders to participate on exercise, the date on which notices will be sent to option holders	Not applicable
28	Date rights trading will begin (if applicable)	Not applicable
29	Date rights trading will end (if applicable)	Not applicable
30	How do +security holders sell their entitlements <i>in full</i> through a broker?	Not applicable
31	How do +security holders sell <i>part</i> of their entitlements through a broker and accept for the balance?	Not applicable

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- 32 How do +security holders dispose of their entitlements (except by sale through a broker)? Not applicable
- 33 +Despatch date Not applicable

Part 3 — Quotation of securities

You need only complete this section if you are applying for quotation of securities

- 34 Type of securities
(tick one)
- (a) Securities described in Part 1
- (b) All other securities
- Example: restricted securities at the end of the escrowed period, partly paid securities that become fully paid, employee incentive share securities when restriction ends, securities issued on expiry or conversion of convertible securities

Entities that have ticked box 34(a)

Additional securities forming a new class of securities

Tick to indicate you are providing the information or documents

- 35 If the +securities are +equity securities, the names of the 20 largest holders of the additional+securities, and the number and percentage of additional +securities held by those holders
- 36 If the +securities are +equity securities, a distribution schedule of the additional+securities setting out the number of holders in the categories
1 — 1,000
1,001 — 5,000
5,001 — 10,000
10,001 — 100,000
100,001 and over
- 37 A copy of any trust deed for the additional+securities

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Entities that have ticked box 34(b)

38	Number of securities for which +quotation is sought		
39	Class of +securities for which quotation is sought		
40	Do the +securities rank equally in all respects from the date of allotment with an existing +class of quoted +securities? If the additional securities do not rank equally, please state: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• the date from which they do• the extent to which they participate for the next dividend, (in the case of a trust, distribution) or interest payment• the extent to which they do not rank equally, other than in relation to the next dividend, distribution or interest payment		
41	Reason for request for quotation now Example: In the case of restricted securities, end of restriction period (if issued upon conversion of another security, clearly identify that other security)		
42	Number and +class of all +securities quoted on ASX (<i>including</i> the securities in clause 38)	Number	+Class

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