
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**

For the Month of August, 2006

1-15240

(Commission File Number)

JAMES HARDIE INDUSTRIES N.V.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Atrium, 8th floor
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.

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

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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

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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;
- expectations concerning the Australian Tax Office amended assessment;
- expectations that our credit facilities will be extended or renewed;
- 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 subsidiaries; 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 implementation of the internal control over financial reporting requirements of Section 404 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, as codified by Item 308 of regulation S-K. 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.

Date: August 31, 2006

James Hardie Industries N.V.

By: /s/ Benjamin Butterfield

Benjamin Butterfield
Secretary

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media release

28 August 2006

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James Hardie Management Change

James Hardie today announced that Dave Merkley has resigned from his role as Executive Vice President — Engineering and Process Development, effective 1 September 2006.

James Hardie CEO, Louis Gries, thanked Dave Merkley for the significant contribution he has made to the company's manufacturing operations over the last 12 years: "I have worked closely with Dave in this time and have appreciated his contributions. James Hardie has grown to be a world leader in the manufacture of fibre cement products and Dave has played an important role in this," he said.

"Dave has decided that he wants to pursue other interests, and we wish him well," said Mr Gries. "Under the terms of his contract, Dave will be available to consult to us over the next few years so we will still have access to his knowledge and skills.

"We will be appointing a replacement head of Engineering and Process Development in due course."

Following Mr Merkley's resignation, James Hardie's Senior Leadership Team now consists of: Louis Gries, Chief Executive Officer; Russell Chenu, Chief Financial Officer; Ben Butterfield, General Counsel; James Chilcoff, Vice President — International Business; Nigel Rigby, Vice President - Emerging Markets; Robert Russell, Vice President — Established Markets; Cathy Wallace, Vice President — Global Human Resources; Grant Gustafson, Vice President — Interiors and Business Development; Mark Fisher, Vice President — Research and Development; Peter Baker, Executive Vice President Australia and Steve Ashe, Vice President — Investor Relations.

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