# 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

March 15, 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.

Form 20-F..X.... Form 40-F.....

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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 ..X...

(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. 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. Forward-looking statements 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: March 15, 2004

James Hardie Industries N.V.

By: /s/ Pim Vlot

Pim Vlot Secretary

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Change of Director's Interest Notice — Appendix 3Y — Lodged with ASX on March 12, 2004

#### Exhibit 99.1

Rule 3.19A.2

# Appendix 3Y

# **Change of Director's Interest Notice**

Information or documents not available now must be given to ASX as soon as available. Information and documents given to ASX become ASX's property and may be made public.

Introduced 30/9/2001.

#### Name of entity James Hardie Industries N.V.

## ARBN 097 829 895 Incorporated in The Netherlands. The liability of members is limited

We (the entity) give ASX the following information under listing rule 3.19A.2 and as agent for the director for the purposes of section 205G of the Corporations Act.

Name of Director <u>Mr Peter Donald Macdonald</u>

Date of last notice <u>21 November 2003</u>

## Part 1 — Change of director's relevant interests in securities

In the case of a trust, this includes interests in the trust made available by the responsible entity of the trust

Note: In the case of a company, interests which come within paragraph (i) of the definition of "notifiable interest of a director" should be disclosed in this part.

Direct or indirect interest	3,600 direct interest 380 indirect interest				
Nature of indirect interest (including registered holder) Note: Provide details of the circumstances giving rise to the relevant interest.	<u>190 CUFS registered holder Deirdre Macdonald</u> (in trust for son Liam Macdonald) <u>190 CUFS registered holder Deirdre Macdonald</u> (in trust for son Rory Macdonald)				
Date of change	<u>11 March 2004</u>				
No. of securities held prior to change	425,000 fully paid shares/CUFS 3,774,000 options				
Class	Shares/ CUFS				
Number acquired	<u>3,980</u>				
Number disposed	Nil				
Value/Consideration Note: If consideration is non-cash, provide details and estimated valuation	A\$27,062.66 (on market purchase)				
No. of securities held after change	428,980 Fully paid shares/CUFS 3,774,000 options				

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# Nature of change Example: on-market trade, off-market trade, exercise of options, issue of securities under dividend reinvestment plan, participation in buy-back

#### On market trade

# Part 2 — Change of director's interests in contracts

Note: In the case of a company, interests which come within paragraph (ii) of the definition of "notifiable interest of a director" should be disclosed in this part.

Detail of contract	Not applicable
Nature of interest	Not applicable
Name of registered holder (if issued securities)	Not applicable
Date of change	Not applicable
No. and class of securities to which interest related prior to change Note: Details are only required for a contract in relation to which the interest has changed	Not applicable
Interest acquired	Not applicable
Interest disposed	Not applicable
Value/Consideration Note: If consideration is non-cash, provide details and an estimated valuation	Not applicable
Interest after change	Not applicable

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