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#### FORM 6-K

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

June 3, 2005

1-15240 (Commission File Number)

#### JAMES HARDIE INDUSTRIES N.V.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Level 8, Atrium, unit 08 Strawinskylaan 3077 1077 ZX Amsterdam, The Netherlands (Address of principal executive offices)

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#### Safe Harbor Statement

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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: June 3, 2005

James Hardie Industries N.V.
By: /s/ W. (Pim) Vlot

W. (Pim) Vlot Secretary

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# Building On Proven Performance UK Roadshow

May/June 2005

#### James Hardie

#### **A Growth Focussed Company**

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- Annual net sales US\$1,210m
- Total assets US\$1,089m
- Operations in North America, South America, Asia Pacific and Europe
- 3000 employees
- Market cap US\$2.2 billion
- ASX S&P 50 company

Note: Net sales and total assets are at 31 March 2005

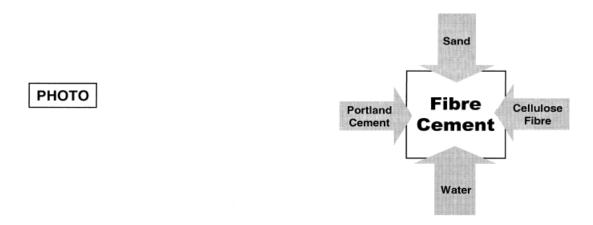
# Focussed on Fibre Cement Investment Attributes

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- High growth
- Unique proprietary technology
- Sustainable competitive advantage
- Strong cashflows and balance sheet
- Growth not reliant on strong housing market

# First to Develop Fibre Cement

James Hardie pioneered development of fibre cement technology in the 1980s



# **Business**Overview

# **Many Product Applications**

- External siding/soffit lining
- Internal wall/floor wet area lining
- Trim and fascia
- Ceiling lining and flooring
- External/internal wall systems
- Commercial facades
- Drainage pipes
- Roofing

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#### **Unique Technology and Scale**

#### Sustainable Competitive Advantage

- Unique plant engineering and proprietary process technology and product formulations
- Superior capital cost efficiency plant capital cost less than ½ that of competitors
- Largest, lowest cost manufacturer plant operating cost 20-30% lower than competitors
- · Only national producer in each key market
- Superior economies of scale plants 2-3 times larger than competitors
- Unique differentiated products, widest range and strongest brand

# Creating the Future R&D is a Key Driver of Growth

- Capabilities and resources
  - 131 scientists, engineers and technicians
  - US\$27 million spend 2.2% of net sales

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Core projects

- new proprietary engineered raw materials
- new proprietary product formulations
- new engineering and proprietary process technologies
- lightweight and durable products for all climates

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# Strategy

#### **Industry Leadership and Profitable Growth**

- Aggressively grow the market
- Secure differentiated position

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- Generate strong top line growth
- Win high shares of large segments
- Sustain attractive margins

# Operations Overview

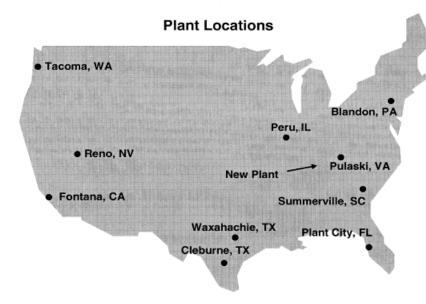
# **Balanced Growth Portfolio** James Hardie Business Portfolio - FY 05

	<u>Total</u> <u>Identifiable</u> <u>Assets*</u> #	<u>Sales</u>	EBIT <sup>1,#</sup>
USA  - Established high growth/high return	72%	78%	87%
Asia Pacific  – Established high return	20%	19%	17%
Other  - Potential growth opportunities (Pipes, Roofing, Europe, Chile)	8%	3%	(4%)

<sup>\*</sup> Excludes general corporate # Excludes General Corporate and Research and Development

#### **USA Fibre Cement**

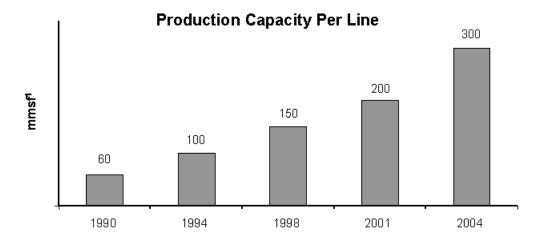
#### James Hardie is the largest lowest cost producer of fibre cement in North America JH Plant Design Capacity



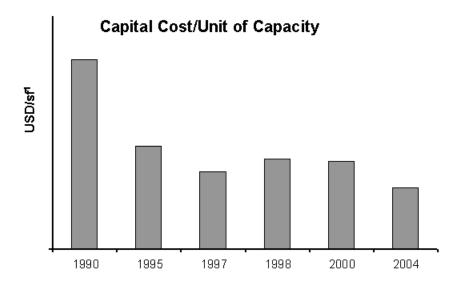
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Flat Sheet Plants	Capacity (mmsf <sup>1</sup> )
Fontana, California	180
Plant City, Florida	300
Cleburne, Texas	500
Tacoma, Washington	200
Peru, Illinois <sup>b</sup>	560*
Waxahachie, Texas	360
Blandon, Pennsylvania	200
Summerville, South Carolina	a 190
Reno, Nevadaª	300*
Pulaski, Virginia <sup>c</sup>	600*
Flat Sheet Total	3,390
FRC Pipe Plant	
Plant City, Florida	100,000 tons

<sup>\*</sup>Upgrade or new plant in progress – include capacity being added.
a. Completion Q4 FY05 – Ramp-up in progress
b. Includes 160 mmsf XLD Trim Line – Being commissioned
c. Construction to commenced in Q4 FY05

## **Increased Scale**

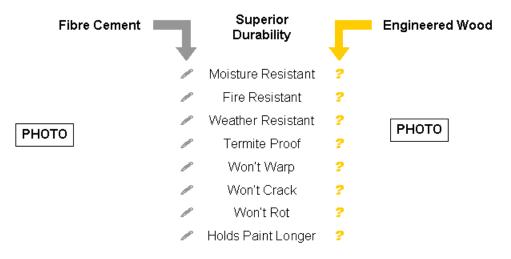


# **Lower Capital Cost**



## **Superior Product Performance**

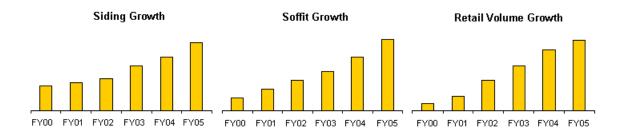
#### Fibre Cement is more durable than wood and engineered wood

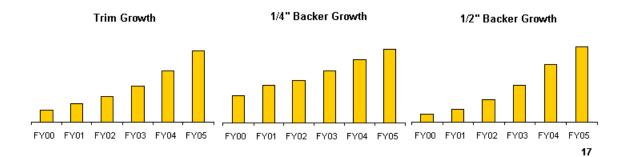


# Superior Product Performance Fibre Cement looks and performs better than vinyl

	Fibre Cement	t .	Vinyl
	P	Fire Resistant	?
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	P	Won't Buckle	?
	P	Colour Lasts Longer	?
	P	Dimensional Stability	?
	P	Can Be Repainted	?

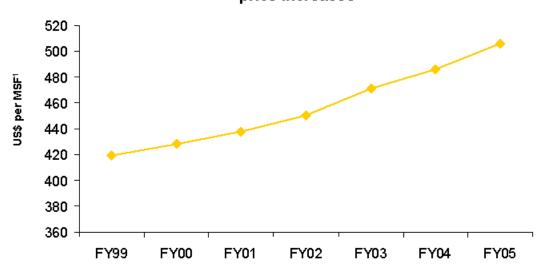
#### **Numerous Revenue Growth Streams**





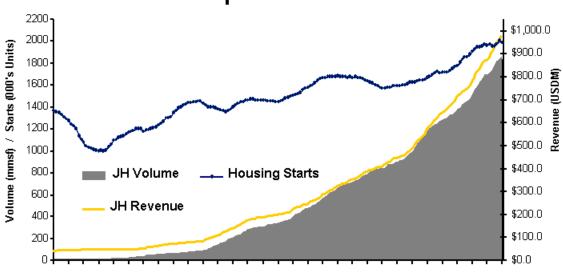
# **Average Net Sales Price**

# Average price growth driven by mix and market price increases

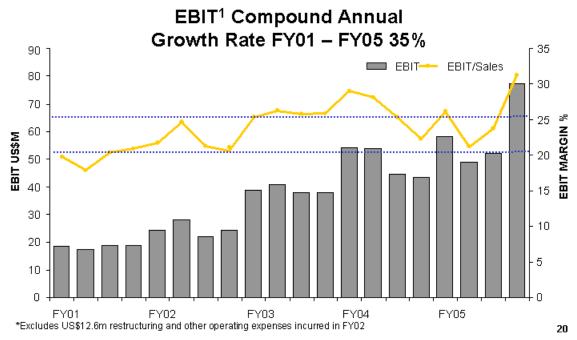


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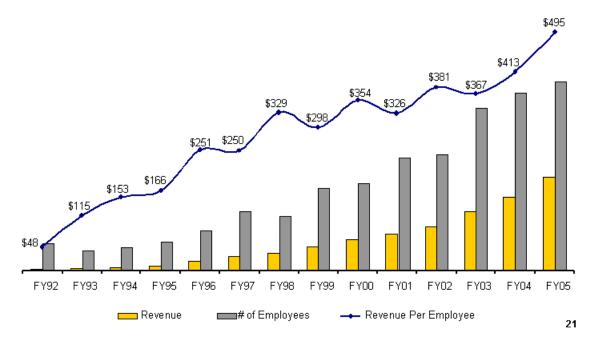




#### **USA Fibre Cement**



## **Growth In Revenue Per Employee**



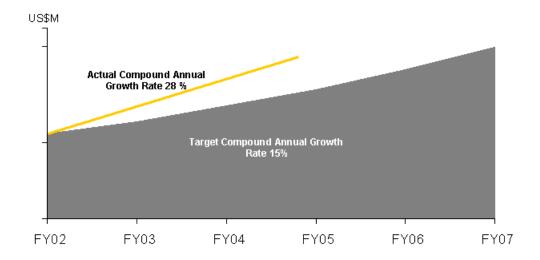
### **Market Data – Exterior Products**

#### Estimated Market Size (bsf1)

Product Category	
New Construction	
- Siding, Fascia & Soffits	5.4
- Trim	0.8
Total New	6.2
Repair & Remodel	
- Siding, Fascia & Soffits	6.2
- Trim	0.2
Total R&R	6.4
Grand Total	12.6

Source: National Association of Home Builders - Builder Practices Report, Annual Builder & Consumer Practices Surveys - 2003

#### Exteriors-net sales on track to more than double 02-07



### **US Housing Market Remains Stable**

- Positive demographic factors
  - Immigration
  - Internal migration
  - Household formation

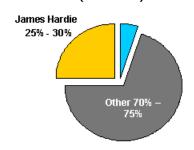
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- Low mortgage rates
- Strong house prices
- Growing economy

#### **Backer is Also Growing Fast**

- Net sales growing strongly CAGR\* 27% (FY01-FY04)
- Leading position in 1/4" market technology advantage for floor applications
- Hardibacker 500 is driving penetration on wall applications
- Growing market
- High terminal market share

#### USA Interior Cement Board Market (est. 1bsf¹)



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<sup>\*</sup> Compound Annual Growth Rate

#### Australia and New Zealand

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- FY05 net sales US\$210m
   up 8%
   FY05 EBIT¹ up 20% to
  - US\$42m
  - Higher value differentiated products
  - Lower delivered cost
  - Shift to growth model

## Philippines and Asia

- Manufacturing plant commissioned 1999
- FY05 net sales US\$26 million up 25%
- EBIT<sup>1</sup> positive
- Fibre cement as substitute for plywood
- Established low cost regional manufacturing hub
- Low GDP per capita is an obstacle for generating unique financial returns

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#### **Other Fibre Cement**

#### Chile

- Manufacturing plant commissioned 2001
- Low cost manufacturing, rapid market penetration, strong growth

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- Positive EBIT¹
- Differentiated products introduced
- Limited scale opportunity

# Other Fibre Cement Pipes

- USA manufacturing plant commissioned 2001
- Market recognises product has advantages over reinforced steel concrete pipes in middiameters – light, long, strong
- Lower cost to make and install
- Manufacturing targets not met but progress being made
- Cash breakeven nearing EBIT breakeven

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#### **Other Fibre Cement**

#### **Artisan Roofing**

- US\$15M USA pilot plant commissioned FY04
- Proving scalability of roofing technology
  - Product design
  - Product performance
  - Manufacturing capability
  - Market positioning

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#### **Other Fibre Cement**

#### **Europe Market Development**

- Initially pursuing a low cost, low risk strategy
- Differentiated products imported from US
  - G2 Backer
  - XLD Trim
  - ColorPlus Siding
- Focussed market development UK and France
- JH business model differentiated from current industry approach

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## **Financials**

### Results - Full Year 31 March 05

US\$Million				
Net Sales	1,210.4	Up	23%	
Gross Profit	426.4	Up	19%	
EBIT <sup>1,*</sup>	196.2	Up	14%	
Operating Profit <sup>1,*</sup>	127.9	Up	2%	

<sup>\*</sup> Excluding costs related to NSW Government Special Commission of Inquiry of US\$28.1m EBIT increased 30% to US\$224.3m and operating profit increased 20% to US\$150.2m.

# Results – Full Year 31 March 05 USA Fibre Cement

US\$Million				
Net Sales	939.2	Up	27%	
EBIT <sup>1</sup>	241.5	Up	24%	
Volume	1855 mmsf <sup>1</sup>	Up	22%	
EBIT Margin <sup>1</sup>	25.7%	Down	0.8pts	

#### Results - Full Year 31 March 05

#### Other Businesses

- ANZ net sales up 8%. EBIT¹ up 20%
- Philippines sales up 25%. EBIT¹ positive
- USA Pipes nearing cashflow breakdown nearing EBIT breakeven
- Chile EBIT¹ positive
- Europe EBIT¹ negative, as expected

### **Key Ratios**

<u>FY'05</u>	FY '04	FY '03
27.7c	27.2c	18.2c
3.0c	5.0c	7.5c
22.4%	27.6%	42.3%
23.6%	23.4%	20.9%
16.2%	17.5%	16.4%
6.8%	17.0%	21.4%
38.5x	17.2x	6.5x
17.8x	14.8x	6.0x
2.5 mths	7.6 mths	1.8 yrs
	27.7c 3.0c 22.4% 23.6% 16.2% 6.8% 38.5x 17.8x	27.7c       27.2c         3.0c       5.0c         22.4%       27.6%         23.6%       23.4%         16.2%       17.5%         6.8%       17.0%         38.5x       17.2x         17.8x       14.8x

<sup>\*</sup> Total Company

<sup>\*\*</sup> Net Debt/Net cash provided by operating activities

<sup>#</sup>Annualised

<sup>+</sup> Adds back capitalised interest

### **Long Term Financial Targets**

## High Growth and Attractive Returns Targeted

	l arget	Actual FYU4	Actual FYU5
Revenue Growth	> 15% p.a.	25%	23%
EBIT Margin <sup>1</sup>	> 15%	18%	16%*
Return On Capital Employed	> 15%	23%	23%

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<sup>\*</sup> Includes costs related to the SCI and related matters of US\$28.1 million.

# Asbestos Related Progress

# Long-Term Funding Proposal – Asbestos Related Personal Injury Claims Background

- Inquiry into establishment of Medical Research and Compensation Foundation (MRCF) announced by NSW Government – February 2004
- Inquiry report released September 2004:
  - Establishment of MRCF legally effective
  - No legal liability for MRCF funding shortfall
  - Risk of adverse legislative, regulatory and customer responses unless adequate provision made for asbestos liabilities of former subsidiaries
  - Voluntary funding proposal made by James Hardie July 2004 "a good first step"

#### Long-Term Funding Proposal – Asbestos Related Personal Injury Claims

#### **Heads of Agreement**

- Non-binding agreement signed with NSW Government, union and claimants representatives – December 2004
- Funding arrangement intended to allow James Hardie to remain profitable, financially strong and to fund growth

#### Long-Term Funding Proposal – Asbestos Related Personal Injury Claims

#### **Key Elements**

- Special Purpose Fund (SPF) to be established James Hardie to appoint majority of Board
- Initial funding based on KPMG Actuaries updated report discounted central estimate A\$1.68bn at 31 March 2005
- Annual contribution to SPF based on annual actuarial assessments
- A rolling 2 year cash buffer to be established in SPF
- Cap on annual contributions after 1<sup>st</sup> year based on a percentage of net operating cashflow – initial cap 35%, with phased reduction to 10% possible over time

# Voluntary Asbestos Compensation Funding Proposal Actuarial Estimates Overview

A\$Billions	2004 <u>30 June</u>	2005 <u>31 March</u>
Central Estimate – Discounted	1.536	1.685
Central Estimate – Undiscounted	3.586	3.604
Range – Undiscounted	2.0 – 5.7	2.0 - 5.9

# Voluntary Asbestos Compensation Funding Proposal Likely Accounting for Asbestos Liability

- No provision for proposed liability at 31 March 2005 not probable and estimable at this time (SFAS5)
- Subject to completion, accounting treatment for take-up of provision likely to be:
  - Based on undiscounted Central Estimate as calculated by KPMG Actuaries
  - Calculated for entire term (through 2071)
  - Exclude impacts of inflation and superimposed inflation (A\$1.67bn¹)
  - All components to be gross
  - Future Income Tax Benefit created subject to confirmation
- Annual payment to SPF charged against provision
- Provision adjusted annually to align with 31 March annual actuarial assessment (excluding impact of inflation and superimposed inflation)
- Asbestos expense in Income Statement to reflect movement in provision

1. Excludes estimated legal and administrative cost savings - being finalised

#### **Voluntary Asbestos Compensation Funding Proposal**

#### **Timing Update**

- Satisfactory progress on Principal Agreement
  - no significant departures from Heads of Agreement
- Estimated completion date of Principal Agreement June – legal complexities
- Timetable for late July EGM appearing ambitious

#### Long-Term Funding Proposal - Asbestos Related Personal Injury Claims

#### Australian Media

- Has suggested claims outside Australia (New Zealand, Asia and USA) could jeopardise SPF
- SPF only available to Australian-based personal injury claims against former Australia James Hardie subsidiaries
- In New Zealand compensation paid by Accident Compensation Commission (government body)
- In Indonesia and Malaysia any liabilities or obligations passed when interests divested in 1980's
- In USA No material claims

#### Summary

- We have a strong, well established, high growth and return business
- We have sustainable competitive advantage
- Our model for continued strong growth is based on:
  - Large market opportunity
  - Superior value proposition
  - Proprietary and/or protected technology
  - Large upsides due to current R&D investments
  - Significant organisational advantages
  - Focussed strategy and organisational effort
  - Scale and market position
- The Company is in a sound financial position

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#### **Notes**

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Gearing Ratio - is borrowings less cash (net debt) divided by net debt plus shareholders' equity.

mmsf - million standard feet

msf - thousand standard feet