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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

July 05, 2006

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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.

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Safe Harbor Statement

The exhibits attached to this form 6-K contain 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.

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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 peak 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: July 05, 2006

James Hardie Industries N.V.

By: /s/ Benjamin Butterfield Benjamin Butterfield

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ATO decision on James Hardie contributions to the Special Purpose Fund

The Australian Taxation Office (ATO) today advised that James Hardie's contributions to the Special Purpose Fund (SPF) would be tax deductible over the anticipated life of the arrangements in accordance with the recent "blackhole expenditure" legislation which was enacted in April this year.

The SPF was established under the Final Funding Agreement (FFA) which was entered into by James Hardie and the NSW Government on 1 December 2005 to make asbestos compensation payments to Australians injured by products made by former subsidiaries of James Hardie.

James Hardie CEO Louis Gries said, "While James Hardie welcomes the ATO's decision that the company's contributions to the SPF comply with the blackhole expenditure legislation, the ATO decision announced last week that it refuses to endorse the SPF as a charity continues to place the FFA in doubt."

It is James Hardie's understanding that the SPF not being a tax exempt charity means it would be subject to tax at the top personal marginal rate (45% for 2007) on:

- The income it earns on its investment activities (at any one time, the SPF will have between two and three years of compensation funding invested, as James Hardie effectively pays three years of claims in advance, subject to the cash flow cap); and possibly
- The contributions it receives from James Hardie, which, based on the KPMG Actuaries' valuation of the asbestos liabilities as at 31 March 2006 of A\$3.1 billion, could result in tax payments of A\$1.4 billion over the life of the fund.

"If James Hardie contributions are at the cash flow cap, taxing the SPF would reduce the amount of funding available to pay asbestos claimants and undermine the capacity of James Hardie to fund the contributions over the 40+ year life of the fund," said Mr Gries.

The parties to the Heads of Agreement, which was signed in December 2004 and which set out the key principles on which the FFA was negotiated, agreed that the SPF's exemption from Australian income tax was critical to the long term viability and affordability of the compensation fund for asbestos claimants. The ATO's endorsement is necessary to achieve that exemption, and was therefore a condition precedent to the implementation of the FFA, to which the SPF has subsequently become a party.

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The primary activity of the SPF is to make compensation payments, over a period of 40 years and potentially much longer, to Australian asbestos claimants who would otherwise be left with unpaid claims against current subsidiaries of the Medical Research and Compensation Foundation and the former holding company of the James Hardie Group (ABN 60). The Foundation has indicated it expects the current funding available to meet such claims to be exhausted around the end of this calendar year.

In anticipation of implementing the FFA, the SPF was established in April 2006, and James Hardie recorded a net provision for the estimated future asbestos-related compensation payments of US\$715.6 million in its full-year accounts at 31 March 2006. However, implementation of the FFA is subject to conditions precedent, including the SPF being recognised as a tax exempt charity.

"The SPF has received legal advice that the SPF is a charitable fund. James Hardie is committed to establishing a fund to compensate Australian asbestos injury claimants. However, in the absence of Federal legislation that would allow the SPF to be recognised as a tax exempt charity, the FFA signed in December 2005 is in doubt. James Hardie will continue to discuss this development with stakeholders, including the NSW Government, the ACTU and asbestos support groups, as well as the Federal Government," said Mr Gries.

In order to give James Hardie and the NSW Government time to assess possible options, James Hardie and the NSW Government have agreed to extend the deadline under the FFA to satisfy certain conditions precedent from 30 June 2006 to 31 July 2006.

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2006 Dutch Accounts

James Hardie announced today that the ASX has extended the date for lodgement of the company's Dutch GAAP accounts for the year ended 31 March 2006 under ASX Listing Rules until the accounts are lodged with the Australian Securities and Investments Commission (ASIC).

Under ASX Listing Rules, the due date for lodgement of the company's Dutch GAAP accounts for the financial year ended 31 March 2006 was 30 June 2006. Under the Australian Corporations Act as a Dutch company, the latest date those Dutch GAAP accounts could be filed is 19 October 2006.

Dutch GAAP financial statements must be current at the time they are adopted by Shareholders at an Annual General Meeting. If there is a material event requiring an adjustment to the financial statements prior to their adoption at an AGM, they must be adjusted. The fact that Dutch GAAP accounts have been approved by a company's Board and lodged with ASIC and ASX will not relieve the Board from the "updating" obligation. This has resulted in James Hardie obtaining an ASX extension of the filing date.

The company's US GAAP financial statements for the same accounting period, 31 March 2006, were lodged with the ASX on 15 May 2006 as part of the company's announcement of its 4th quarter and full year results.

James Hardie expects to lodge its Dutch GAAP financial statements at the same time it releases its Notice of Meeting for the 2006 Annual General Meeting. The scheduled dates for the company's Australian Information Meeting and its Annual General Meeting are 19 September 2006 and 25 September 2006 respectively.

To enable the company to incorporate information relating to taxation decisions by the Australian Taxation Office of 23 and 29 June 2006 concerning the Special Purpose Fund and James Hardie, the company has, with the consent of the ASX, deferred lodgement of its 2006 annual report until next week.

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