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Books Closed Notice

ATTENTION: International Research, Sales, Trading and Operations Staff

JAMES HARDIE INDUSTRIES N.V.

Home Trading Market:	The Netherlands
Country of Management:	Australia
Symbol:	JHX
CUSIP Number:	47030M106
Exchange:	NYSE
Ratio:	1 ADR: 5 ORDINARY SHARES

Books will be closed on the James Hardie Industries N.V. ADR program. Relevant details are listed below:

FROM: June 06, 2005
TO: June 09, 2005

Transaction	Status	Reason(s)
Issuance	Conditional – Close	Deposit certification required. To facilitate the payment of the dividend the books will be closed. For information regarding the issuance of ADRs please call Diane Krivda at (212) 815-2037.

Cancellation

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