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Dear Sir/Madam

James Hardie will conduct a management briefing on its 4th Quarter and Full Year FY05 Results on Monday, 16 May 2005.

A briefing for <u>media</u> will be held at the Exchange Square Auditorium, Australian Stock Exchange, 20 Bridge Street, Sydney commencing at 10.00am. A teleconference will also be available on +61 2 9423 1645.

A briefing for <u>analysts and investors</u> will be held at the Exchange Square Auditorium, Australian Stock Exchange, 20 Bridge Street, Sydney commencing at 11.00am. A teleconference and audio webcast will also be available on the following:

Domestic: 03 9221 4420 International: +61 3 9221 4420 URL: http://events.webeventservices.com/jameshardie/2005/05/16/

A further management briefing for analysts and investors will be held in Melbourne at The Westin, Room IV, 205 Collins Street on Tuesday, 17 May 2005 from 11.00am.

Yours faithfully

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