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17 October 2017

The Manager Company Announcements Office Australian Securities Exchange Limited 20 Bridge Street SYDNEY NSW 2000

Dear Sir/Madam

Substantial Holding Notice

As required under ASX Listing Rule 3.17.3 please see attached a copy of the substantial holding notice received by James Hardie on 16 October 2017.

Yours faithfully

Natasha Mercer

Company Secretary

ANR/Cer



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The Capital Group Companies, Inc.

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James Hardie Industries plc Level 3, 22 Pitt Street Sydney, NSW, Australia, 2001

Re: Notification of Holdings under the Companies Act 2014 - James Hardie Industries plc

Dear Company Secretary:

We hereby give you notice in compliance with the provisions of the Companies Act, 2014 (the Act) of the acquisition by The Capital Group Companies, Inc. ("CGC") of a notifiable interest in shares comprised in the relevant share capital of James Hardie Industries plc ("Company"), as required by the Act.

CGC is the parent company of Capital Research and Management Company ("CRMC"). CRMC is a U.S.-based investment management company that manages the American Funds family of mutual funds. CRMC manages equity assets for various investment companies through three divisions, Capital Research Global Investors, Capital International Investors and Capital World Investors. CRMC in turn is the parent company of Capital Group International, Inc. ("CGII"), which in turn is the parent company of five investment management companies ("CGII management companies"): Capital Guardian Trust Company, Capital International, Inc., Capital International Limited, Capital International Sàrl and Capital International K.K. The CGII management companies primarily serve as investment managers to institutional clients.

Neither CGC nor any of its affiliates own shares of the Company for its own account. Rather, the shares reported are owned by accounts under the discretionary investment management of one or more of the investment management companies described above.

The obligation to make this notification arose on 13 October 2017.

The number of shares comprised in the relevant share capital of the Company in which CGC was interested immediately after the time when the obligation to make this notification arose was 22,620,000 CDIs, representing 5.13% of the relevant share capital of the Company.

The identity of each registered holder of shares in the Company in respect of which this notification relates and the number of those shares held by each such registered holder are set out below in the enclosed Schedule A and Schedule B.

For the purpose of this Notification, an outstanding share balance of 441,274,149 shares was used to calculate the percentage of holdings. We believe this figure is correct; however, if this number is not accurate, please contact us as soon as possible so we may make the necessary revisions.

Should you have questions or require additional information, please contact us at (213) 615-0469, or send a fax message to (213) 615-4056. Alternatively, you may contact us via e-mail at GRGroup@capgroup.com.

Regards, Benjamin Allen

Benjamin Allen

Compliance Specialist

James Hardie Industries plc

·	<u>Number of</u> <u>Shares</u>	Percent of Outstanding
The Capital Group Companies, Inc. ("CG") holdings	22,620,000	5.126%
Holdings by CG Management Companies and Funds:		
Capital Research and Management Company	22,620,000	5.126%

Schedule of holdings in James Hardie Industries plc The Capital Group Companies, Inc. As of 13 October 2017

Capital Research and Management Company

Registered Name Local Shares

Cede & Co. 55 Water Street New York, NY 10006 22,620,000

TOTAL 22,620,000