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# **Elite Comfort Solutions Acquisition**

Leggett & Platt:

# ECS: Leading Provider of Proprietary Foam Technology for Bedding and Furniture Markets

- ☐ Headquarters: Newnan, GA
- Markets Served: Primarily Bedding and Furniture
- □ Customers: Serves leading traditional bedding and boxed bed brands
- □ Key Raw Materials: Polyol, TDI, MDI
- □ Operational Footprint: National manufacturing footprint, with 16 U.S. facilities covering all major U.S. regions
  - 2 facilities engaged in development and manufacturing of chemicals and additives used in foam production
  - Provides market diversity and production capacity to support growth
  - Large-scale specialty foam producer with a strong West Coast manufacturing presence (4 facilities)



#### **ECS Sales by End Market**



ECS management team to continue leading the business; expect to maintain all 16 facilities

### **Strong Market Trends**

- Growth of hybrid and specialty foam mattresses
- ☐ Online mattress sales expected to double over next 4-5 years
- Compressed mattresses are growing through both online and traditional retail channels
  - > Expected to be half of the market by 2026
  - Traditional OEMs and retailers are adding compressed mattress offerings
    - Reduces transportation and warehousing costs
    - Improve consumer purchasing convenience (i.e., cash and carry)
- ☐ Emergence of numerous compressed mattress brands
  - > Fastest growing segment of online mattress sales
  - > Brands are differentiating through hybrid products and specialty foams

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# Creating a Leading Provider of Differentiated Products for the Bedding Industry



#### **Establishes a Global Leader in Bedding Technology and Manufacturing**

- > Leggett is the global leader in innerspring technology and manufacturing
- ➤ ECS brings critical capabilities in propriety foam technology, along with scale in the production of private-label finished mattresses, toppers and pillows



#### Adds R&D Capabilities and Proprietary Foam Technologies

- Utilize ECS's substantial proprietary and patented technology to develop unique specialty foam products for individual customers
- Create new hybrid products through best-in-class specialty foam innovation and spring technologies



#### **Positions the Company to Grow**

- Capability to supply components or private-label finished goods for nearly any mattress type, packaging form or distribution channel
- Capture greater share of global specialty foam for bedding

## **ECS Transaction Overview**

#### ☐ Acquired ECS for \$1.25 billion in cash on January 16, 2019 CONSIDERATION ☐ Financed through expansion of commercial paper program and issuance of & FINANCING \$500 million 5-year term loan ☐ FYE September 2018 sales of \$611 million Expect double-digit sales growth and accretive EBITDA margins **FINANCIAL PROFILE** ☐ Expect slightly negative effect on EBIT margins due to purchase accounting ☐ Expected to be neutral to EPS in 2019; accretive to EPS beginning in 2020 ☐ Focus on deleveraging through cash flow to ~2.5x EBITDA in 2020 Committed to maintaining strong, investment grade ratings **DELEVERAGING** ☐ Retain a robust liquidity profile, with access to the investment grade debt MAINTAINING capital markets INVESTMENT ☐ Modestly changed dividend payout target to ~50% of earnings **GRADE RATING** Maintaining commitment to long-term dividend growth; expect to extend 48-year dividend growth track record

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