By facsimile to (314) 259-2020 and U.S. Mail Ernest C. Jett, Esq. Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary Leggett & Platt, Incorporated No. 1 Leggett Road Carthage, MO 64836 RE: Leggett & Platt, Incorporated. Pre-effective Amendment 1 to Registration Statement on Form S-3 Filed April 7, 2005 File No. 333-123213 Dear Mr. Jett: We reviewed the filing and have the comment below. 1. Refer to prior comment 8. Revise these disclosures that can be read to imply that investors do not have rights under the federal securities laws about the disclosures in the prospectus: * The third sentence in the second paragraph under "Description of Capital Stock" on page 21. * The third sentence in the fifth paragraph under "Preferred Share Purchase Rights and Series A Junior Participating Preferred Stock" on page 26. * The third sentence in the second paragraph under "Certain Charter and Bylaw Provisions" on page 26. Closing File an amendment to the S-3 in response to the comment. To expedite our review, you may wish to provide us three marked courtesy copies of the amendment. Include with the filing any supplemental information requested and a cover letter tagged as correspondence that keys the responses to the comment. If you think that compliance with the comment is inappropriate, provide the basis in the letter. We may have additional comments after review of the amendment, the response to the comment, and any supplemental information. You may direct questions on comments and other disclosure issues to Edward M. Kelly, Senior Counsel, at (202) 942-1978 or me at (202) 942-2864. Very truly yours, Jennifer R. Hardy Legal Branch Chief R. Randall Wang, Esq. cc: William L. Cole, Esq. 1 Metropolitan Square, Suite 3600 St. Louis, MO 63102 John W. White, Esq. Cravath, Swaine & Moore LLP

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