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Quality Assurance throughout Leggett & Platt Machinery Group

(Carthage, Missouri, USA) - Leggett & Platt Machinery Group, a division of Leggett & Platt®, is expanding quality assurance initiatives at multiple locations. Recognizing the value of quality in this global marketplace it serves, Leggett & Platt Machinery Group (LPMG) is increasing staffing and introducing new tools for quality inspection and manufacturing.

The Quality Department of L&P Machine Products division, in Carthage, Missouri, is managed by Mark Danielson. Danielson is a Six Sigma Black Belt and ISO-certified Lead Auditor. He is currently directing LPMG efforts to achieve AS9100 certification, crucial to serving the aerospace industry. This certification serves a dual role; as it also includes quality principles stated in the ISO 9001-2006 standard required of other industries served by LPMG. The company is currently on track to obtain the AS9100 certification by August 15, following a desk top audit and on-site readiness review this summer.

Additional inspection equipment at the Carthage branch is also raising LPMG quality standards as well. A new *Contra CMM* machine has been installed within the Quality Inspection Room, and another *Contra CMM* has been moved to the CNC Department to better evaluate QC at the production line. Identical inspection equipment on the manufacturing floor and in the Inspection Room will enable the company to better monitor Quality Control using identical programs in both areas.

Leggett & Platt Machinery Group's factory in China is also increasing quality efforts as well. Linda Li was recently hired as Quality Manager, directing the Shanghai facility's quality department. Her initial task is to complete quality requirements of LP9000, a corporate-wide manufacturing quality standard established by Leggett & Platt. A *Contra CMM* inspection machine has been added to this department as well, in order to aide the QC process.

Marcelo SanMiguel, Quality Manager of the LPMG facility in Monterrey, Mexico, has nearly completed the LP9000 certification in the short time since he was hired, only seven months ago.

Leggett & Platt Machinery Group is aggressively implementing quality manufacturing standards to better serve customers around the world. Knowledgeable leadership, precise inspection tools and stringent programs are critical to success in quality assurance, but company-wide teamwork is the most valuable initiative. Achieving the respected status of a quality manufacturer takes extensive hours of determined efforts at every level within the organization, and Leggett & Platt Machinery Group is pleased with the quality-focused work of the entire company.

Leggett & Platt Machinery Group (LPMG), a division of Leggett & Platt®, is a US-based global manufacturer supplying internal manufacturing solutions of the parent company, and external customers as well. LPMG has engineering and production facilities in the US, Mexico, China and Europe serving a growing list of industries, including consumer goods, specialized machinery, transportation and agriculture.

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