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PLAYBOY ENTERPRISES, INC. 680 North Lake Shore Drive Chicago, Illinois 60611

March 17, 2003

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Securities and Exchange Commission Division of Corporation Finance 450 Fifth Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20549

> Re: Playboy Enterprises, Inc. - Application for Withdrawal of Registration Statement on Form S-3 (File No. 333-103353)

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Pursuant to Rule 477 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, Playboy Enterprises, Inc. (the "Company") hereby applies for withdrawal of its Registration Statement on Form S-3, including all exhibits thereto (File No. 333-103353), that was filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on February 20, 2003 (the "Registration Statement"). The Company is requesting such withdrawal because it no longer intends to issue the shares of its Class B common stock that would have been registered under the Registration Statement. No shares of Class B common stock of the Company have been issued or sold under the Registration Statement.

If you have any questions with respect to this matter, please call Rodd M. Schreiber of the law firm of Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom (Illinois), counsel to the Company, at (312) 407-0531 or the undersigned at (312) 373-2300. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Very truly yours,

PLAYBOY ENTERPRISES, INC.

By: /s/ Howard Shapiro

Name: Howard Shapiro

Title: Executive Vice President, Law and Administration,

General Counsel and Secretary