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Mr. Bobby C. Delp Rte. 2, Box 235 Independence, VA 24348 . RECEIVED

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Dear Mr. Delp:

Examination has been completed on the Model Seven 7mm-08 caliber rifle, serial number 7606074, that you returned to us because, "when one round is fired and another round is chambered the second round fires without pulling the trigger".

The returned firearm, which was produced in August of 1984, has been thoroughly examined and found to contain our high-pressure proof test, gallery test, and final inspection stampings, indicating that it had successfully passed all necessary tests and inspections prior to being shipped from our factory.

The general condition of the rifle appeared to be fair, as it was noted that portions of the barrel and receiver were rusty and the stock was badly scratched and marred. In going over the individual parts, we found headspace, recoil shoulders and chamber all to be normal. Trigger pull was found to be somewhat heavy at 6 1/2 pounds and sear-lift with the safety in the "on-safe" position was within specifications at .011".

Examination of the rifle and trigger asssembly could not duplicate the malfunction that was reported. Many attempts were made to cause the rifle to fire while cycling the bolt using dummy cartridges, but it would not malfunction. The only way the rifle could be made to fire was with the safety off and the trigger pulled, functioning as designed.