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Dear Sir:

Examination has been completed on the Model 700 BDL 243 Win. caliber rifle, serial number 6699556, that you returned to us because, "customer complains of hang fires. Also has fired upon closing bolt".

The returned firearm, which was produced in December of 1973, has been thoroughly examined and found to have our high-pressure proof test, gallery test, and final inspection stampings, indicating that it had successfully passed all necessary tests and inspections before being shipped from our factory.

The general condition of the rifle appeared to be good and, in going over the individual parts, we found the headspace, recoil shoulders and chamber all to be normal. Trigger pull was measured to be 4 pounds and sear-lift with the safety in the "on-safe" position was within specifications at .008".

Initial testing and functioning of the rifle, in its as-received condition, revealed the firing pin fall was somewhat slow. Subsequent disassembly of the rifle and removal of the trigger assembly disclosed that the sides of the sear-safety cam ware coated with a very gummy, partially solidified, oil (?) residue, and it was sticking to the side plates of the trigger assembly housing. This condition was causing the slower than usual firing pin fall, and could account for the problems our customer experienced, especially if the rifle was being used in cold temperatures. In future use,