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Mr. W.E. Whipkey Rte. 1, Box 50 Hallsville, TX 75650

Dear Mr. Whipkey:

Examination has been completed on the Model 700 L.H. BDL 270 Win. caliber rifle, serial number 6628872, that you returned to us a short time ago because "...it failed to fire upon release of the safety and pull of the trigger. After working the safety back and forth several times it fired without pulling the trigger."

The returned firearm, which was produced in April of 1973, 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 good, considering its age and, it was noted that the stock had been refinished and a recoil pad and scope mounts had been added after it originally left our factory. In going over the individual parts, we found headspace, recoil shoulders and chamber all to be normal. Trigger pull was found to be above our specifications at 6-1/4 pounds and the sear-lift with the safety in the "safe" position was within specifications at .005".

Our initial testing and functioning of the rifle, in its asreceived condition, revealed that the firing pin fall was slow when dry firing the rifle. Subsequent disassembly of the rifle showed that the inside of the trigger assembly was contaminated with a gummy oil (?) residue, which was causing sluggish movement of the sear-safety cam. This condition was causing the slower than usual