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PROJECT AD-700
NEW BOLT ACTION CENTER FIRE RIFLE

The Plant has asked that we maintain a schedule of releasing the balance of design in connection with this model by June 1, 1961. The project as written does not detail the various caliber designations.

On May 9th Ilion Design prepared a proposed schedule of calibers; copy is attached. Another copy was turned over to W.H. Foster while he was in Ilion, and in follow-up understand that a tentative forecast has been submitted to Gail Evans for the caliber spread.

There was reasonably good agreement between Sales and Ilion regarding the attached list of calibers. Our people attempted to avoid increasing the number of items in total as compared to those presently spread over 3 existing models and amounting to some 17 items.

Believe that Sales would like to see the 222 Rem. offered both in the ADL as well as the A Grade. In addition the same applies to the 308 caliber. Point has been made here that the 308 volume sales has been exceedingly low, hence we had attempted to confine to only one grade.

Believe that Sales would also want to consider a Caliber 30 AMU cartridge. However, this remains to be developed commercially and there may be some question as to its being used.

At any rate it would be helpful to obtain prompt Operations Committee action on the above in order to button up our design. We also understand that Sales desires the first year offering to include Calibers 222, 270 Win. and 30-06, in addition to the 222 Rem. Mag. which is in the ADL Grade only.

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