

In view of this design possibility and because development of the XS-6 could be expedited to catch up with the XS-1 and XS-2 developments, Research & Development desires that thought be given to an over-all shotgun plan for the future which would be more comprehensive and detailed than that reflected by the present Development Schedule.

Work on this design investigation is being expedited so that the Committee may have a demonstration model before the end of the year.

CENTER FIRE RIFLES

MODEL 722 BARRELS FOR CALIBER 244

The Sales Department had proposed the use of a lightweight (small diameter) barrel for the caliber 244 in the Model 722. The Plant anticipates no difficulty in this specification change. Product cost will be approximately the same with the new barrel since the stock to be used would be the same as that for the caliber 308. There will be a slight increase in inventory of work-in-process because of the new barrel.

In the past few months this item has been entangled with considerations of weight and rifling for the caliber 244 barrel in the Model 725 and the Sales Department's proposal has not been acted upon. Since this item can be considered independently from the Model 725, 244 caliber, the Committee approved the adoption of the lightweight barrel for the Model 722 Center Fire Rifle in caliber 244.

MODEL 725 BARRELS FOR CALIBER 244

Barrel Weight

The Sales Department has proposed a lightweight barrel for the Model 725 in caliber 244. The use of this smaller diameter barrel necessitates a new stock. This will result in a slight increase in barrels and stocks in process. The cost of the Model 725 will be slightly affected. Any cost difference will be reflected in the total project.

The Plant, assuming that the Model 725, 244 caliber barrel will be the smaller diameter, has placed an order for stocks. November delivery is expected. The Committee concurred with this action but requested a review of the economics to establish the effect of the new barrel and stock on the project.

Rifling

The Sales Department has requested consideration of a one in 10" twist for Model 725 barrels in caliber 244 to