

CENTER FIRE RIFLES - contd.MODEL 788 CENTER FIRE BOLT ACTION RIFLE

Production reported that pilot operations have started on the 243 and 6mm caliber Barrels. The 308 caliber Barrels will be processed as part of the next production run. Bolt Body blanks are promised by the end of February. It is planned to produce Receivers as part of the next Model 788 production run. Pilot work for the added calibers is on schedule.

Tool design for the left hand Model 788, 308 and 30-30 caliber and Model 581-591 rifles is approximately 50% complete. As previously indicated, N/C processing, design of tooling and resolving the method of gaging has required more time than originally anticipated. While behind schedule, it is believed work can be completed so that announcement can be made January 1969.

MODEL 700 CENTER FIRE BOLT ACTION RIFLEExport

A prototype rifle with shrouded Bolt Plug was shipped to Australia. To date, we have not been advised if this change will meet the import standards.

Improved Version for 1969 - ADL & BDL

Attached as Exhibit 4 are the estimated full factory costs and individual costs of the features proposed for the 1969 version. The cost reduction items could be effected without the improvement features. The combined cost shows approximately the same operative earnings.

Prototypes of the ADL and BDL grades were reviewed at the meeting. The need for a shrouded Bolt Plug was discussed. Marketing indicated that the shrouded Bolt Plug could be a selling feature as well as meeting required foreign import standards. Also competition makes it necessary to improve the appearance for our 1969 rifles.

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