

16 GAUGE RIFLED SLUG LOADS

Customer Service reported the recall program started December 12, with the letter attached as Enclosure 1. Three guns have been reported damaged. Personal injuries reported were a cut cheek in one case and partial, temporary loss of hearing in the other two cases. Complaints of loss of filler and loose slugs continue to be received. Letters to dealers are being dispatched as the information is received from distributors.

30-06 CARTRIDGES

Code LX 15 DD was loaded in August 1972. The 36,000 rounds in Lonoke warehouse have been 100% weighed and no deficiencies found. Lonoke has not received the specific complaint information as yet, which was attributed to this code.

Code FLT 25 DD returns have not been received.

Code LV 14 WD had 85 rounds returned. Five were from a box that reportedly contained a round the bullet of which lodged in the barrel on firing. Four of the rounds returned from this box had only three to twelve grains of powder. Approximately 50 grains of powder would be a normal loading. The remaining 80 cartridges were weighed with no deficiencies. Apparently, the one box had cartridges that somehow were packed from a rejection tray.

Lonoke has taken a number of steps to correct this problem, as indicated in Enclosure 2. Basically, new powder detection devices have been installed, new test procedures have been adopted, and equipment and operation studies have been instituted.

.22-250 CARTRIDGES

Six thousand rounds were shipped from Bridgeport warehouse to Lonoke for inspection. On 100% gauging, two rounds were found to have short head to shoulder length. The product at Ilion was 100% gauged and no deficiencies were found. Approximately 6,000 additional rounds, of different codes, are enroute to Lonoke from distributors. These will be gauged and a report submitted. Production requested permission to release for shipment the 100% inspected product.

COMMITTEE ACTION

The Committee approved the release for shipment of all 100% gauged .22-250 product.