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Mr. Douglas Dumbleton  
801 Fishell Road  
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Dear Mr. Dumbleton:

This is in reference to the Model XP-100 35 Rem caliber handgun, serial number B7520484, that you returned to our Arms Service Division in damaged condition a short time ago.

The returned firearm, which was produced in July of 1987, has been thoroughly examined by our experts who noted that it contained our high-pressure proof test, gallery test, and final inspection stampings, indicating it had successfully passed all our necessary tests prior to shipment from our factory.

The general condition of the gun appeared to be very good prior to the incident and, in going over the individual parts, we were unable to check headspace, the stock was broken and, the bolt handle was broken off. Also, the bolt shroud was blown off and, the barrel counter-bore was severely bulged and cracked with brass wash deposited on these surfaces, indicating the damage was caused by firing a cartridge that developed extremely high pressures, far in excess of those for which the gun was designed and tested. Damage of this nature would require pressures in excess of 150,000 P.S.I. Normal factory loaded ammunition in 35 Rem caliber produces approximately 40,000 P.S.I.