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TO: T. L. CAPELETTI
FROM: J. S. MARTIN *JS*
SUBJECT: BOLT ACTION RIFLE PROGRAM

Introduction:

The new bolt action rifle program is designed to replace the M/700 BDL in 1985 or 1986. The project is to come up with a bolt action rifle with a complete new look. The stock will be a Bob Emmons' creation with a schnabel type fore-end tip. The action will be a M/700 type but have a new extractor design. The receiver will be octagonal designed with a new bolt handle and bolt release. The bolt plug may house the bolt lock and will have an octagonal type configuration to match the receiver. The safety has not been defined at this time but could be a tang type or three-position on the bolt plug. The barrel will have the hammer forge effect (diamond) and be free of sights. It is planned to have an integral type scope mount with matching rings. The trigger is to have an external adjustment and will not adjust less than 3#. The magazine box will be the rotary type that can be detachable or fixed.

Progress to Date:

Three stocks have been made by Bob Emmons, the last being a stock that production agreed upon. The fourth one will be made when Pete Grisel (a metal worker) has completed his thing on our barrel action.

Fred Martin has four actions in process ³~~2~~ short ³~~1~~ long, and 1 extra long anticipating a new shell from the Ammunition Research Department in Bridgeport. Completion Date =

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A rotary type magazine box has been detailed and is now in our N/C Shop to be fabricated. Out Date =

Tom Bauman has finished a new designed extractor and it is in the Model Shop for fabrication. Out Date =

Summary:

If we plan to announce this gun for 1985 — warehouse in November 1984, we must transmit to the plant 18 months prior to November 1984. This means May of 1983. With 1982 almost gone and only two people working on the project, things have to change.

I will need two more engineers and a top priority to complete this job as scheduled. Also, I will need commitments of the design specifications in writing. There are too many things up in the air at this time - i.e., safety, trigger, bolt lock, etc. This I have trouble with. I think we need an outline or business plan that will again take us through this project on schedule.

JSM:ws