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XP-722 PISTOL

There seems to be some reason to believe that competition may already be aware of the ideas as incorporated in the design of the above. Apparently there would be no patentable novelty. Therefore, any advantage to be gained would depend upon our making it a "Remington first". So if we are going to consider introducing, it is recommended that we move right up on it with the idea of announcement early in 1962; which many here feel can be done.

Perhaps the molded stock would be the longest time item. There should also be further discussion regarding this short 222 cartridge. I assume that it would not involve any major problem as to making a case. It is my understanding that this is the original round and that the present 222 round was used in order to properly feed or eject in the longer M/722 receiver.

The design and model was reviewed with the Plant about a week ago with the idea of getting a high spot estimate of cost. Gail Evans has now had an opportunity to look it over and shoot it, but no doubt will want to discuss further with his people before offering any forecast. At the same time, expect the Plant will need some indication as to range of volumes in order to know how to consider processing, which in turn would have relationship on the cost involved.

The present models were made up for the "Military". A revised sample is being prepared with the proposed commercial finishes, etc. which will represent the design being estimated.

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