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Dear Lee:

I am in receipt of your letter to Jim Dickey concerning the Arma-Lite type rifle with the possibilities of designing an XP-100 Pistol principles into it.

We have shown the XP-100 to a number of military authorities and they seem to be quite interested in its capabilities and possibilities, especially for the special services. However, they feel that the single shot version would not be adequate. At the present time we are investigating an autoloading version of this cartridge with an adequate lock-up and I feel sure that it will have some very fine military and commercial potential. The feature of the ArmaLite Explorer is to provide something that will be floatable and I believe that such an attachment and combination could be made for the new autoloading version of the XP-100.

I believe the design could be versatile enough that if considering such a principle in advance the right combinations could be worked out. At the present time we have in mind a small light weight rifle that will also involve the same mechanisms.

Thanks again for your interest and I certainly will keep this principle in mind. In order for us to sell something like this to the military it is necessary to provide various combinations and certainly this one you mention was overlooked.

Regards,

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