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26-700

"CONFINE YOUR LETTER TO ONE SUBJECT ONLY"

May 23, 1983

TO: R. J. Long

FROM: D. D. Ricci

REFERENCE: M/7 & 700 ADL Bolt Handle - Order Status

I have reviewed all casting items produced by Vestshell with respect to our forecasted schedules. All efforts will be directed toward producing this handle to support Production.

At this time, Purchasing is behind on deliveries. Order status is as follows:

I-1029 5,700 received 5-9-83; issued to Production 5-11
5,000 will ship 5-26
I-1651 5,000 due 6-10
5,000 due 6-24
I-3329 5,000 due 7-1
5,000 due 7-13
5,000 due 7-22

Vestshell is currently producing to capacity on this part, but the output has been plagued by -

- limited Production using an old reconvertered 2-cavity tool until samples are approved on the new design.
- reduced labor levels due to the economic situation as are all our vendors, including Remington.

- a loss of 2-3 weeks of production when Vestshell shutdown as a result of the cracked handle scare.

- and complicated by Production's use of the wrong Magazine follower for magnums causing priorities at that time to be directed toward producing this follower.

A thirty (30) piece sample of the new design will be here May 23. Every effort should be made to inspect and advise so that the new 4-cavity tool can either be further altered or begin producing immediately.

Be advised that Vestshell will be closed the week of July 25. Order I-3329 will be expedited to ship before their shutdown, otherwise Vestshell will finish the order during our vacation.

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