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The team has completed work in 'Dept. 02', the M/7400 Breech Bolt and Carrier area and is now 3/4's of the way through 'Dept 09', the M/7400 Receiver area, and should be complete in this area by the 1st week in Feb.

Preparations are now under way to introduce the use of SPC techniques and philosophy to the new SP-10 Mag. shotgun process. With this model, the team will not only spend time training operators and first line supervision the methods whereby the process can be better controlled but, will expand the use of the SPC methodology into the areas of process evaluation and improvement.

This activity will involve the performing of machine capability studies for each of the operations necessary to produce the SP-10 Mag. as well as studies of each of the vendor purchased parts for this model. This is a necessary first step to evaluate the capability of the process to consistently produce high quality components. Once the capability of each operation is determined, the appropriate process improvement activity can be undertaken. (This approach is the same as was undertaken when the initial SPC trial work was done on the M/700 Receiver.)

A SP-10 Mag. Steering Committee has been formed for the purpose of coordinating the activity of each of the plant functions required to successfully introduce this important new product. This group will meet weekly and publish minutes.