

MODEL 3200 OVER AND UNDER SHOTGUN

Although the Model 3200 Over and Under Shotgun is covered by the Operations Committee, R & D again reviewed the specifications for the model (Exhibit 4).

R & D expects to start the design of the shotgun April 1 which will be supported by a thorough investigation of all locking mechanisms. The objective is an endurance of 100,000 rounds with an all plastic shell exceeding the strength of existing over and unders. It is proposed to have side locks in addition to the top slide lock that is similar to the Model 32. By the use of the computer, the design provides a more uniform opening action.

While R & D is only involved with the 12 gauge development, it is indicated that three sizes of Receivers would be required to accommodate other gauges. The effect on additional gauges is being considered in developing the 12 gauge design.

DEVELOPMENT SCHEDULES

Exhibit 5 covers the proposed design schedule for new center fire rifles and shotguns. As indicated in the discussion of the new models, the phasing out of the old models will have to be determined. There will be a need for manufacturing space for the new equipment required since it is probable that new lines would have to be set up at least for the major components. If there is a phasing out of an existing model and a replacement over the same lines, production would be materially affected during the last year of the manufacture of the old model. Machinery and other capital expenditures required would depend upon the program to be followed. The present line of guns was developed from the Model 11-48. The proposed guns will be new in concept and therefore require, for the most part, new machinery.