

RIM FIRE RIFLES - contd.MODEL 540X, 540X-JR, 40XB - contd.

Production reported that a realistic warehouse date for these rifles would be April, 1974.

Committee Action:

The Operations Committee accepted the Marketing recommendation to introduce the Model 540X and 540X-JR Position Rifles, Model 40XB Standard Position Rifle - Rim Fire and Model 40XB Army National Match Course Rifle. Announcement is to be January, 1974 with availability in April, 1974.

BENCH REST BULLETS

R & D reported that production has been stopped until the material problems can be solved. Orders have been placed with Revere and Anaconda as well as Bridgeport Brass. To date, no solution has been found for use of the 6000 pound lot received in January from Bridgeport Brass. Lubrication, annealing, oxidizing the strip surface, and changes of punches and dies, have been tried with the same results--excessive pickup of gilding on punches and dies. The vendor does not know what is wrong with the material. Other vendors are being sought.

It was suggested that R & D talk to small suppliers of brass.

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R & D reported that difficulty has been experienced in feeding Eclipse targets with excessive flash and out-of-roundness in