

CENTER FIRE RIFLESMODEL 700 BOLT HEAD - RUSTY EJECTORS

Research reported that testing of a new Bolt Head furnished by Production has been satisfactorily completed. Drawings will be transmitted by January 23.

Production reported that the design change will be implemented as soon as drawings are transmitted. Right hand Bolt Heads require no tooling or additional equipment, and the process will be changed immediately. Completed Rifles with the revised Bolt Head will be available about two months after approval. Left hand Bolt Heads require both tooling and equipment to cut the deeper braze slot. An engineering estimate to change the left hands is being prepared.

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MODEL 788 SAFETY REDESIGN

Research reported that the new Safety Lever design has been reviewed with Marketing and Production. Production has agreed to purchase 2000 Springs and Plungers to the new design and to modify the current Safety Lever in-plant to include the new 100° cone angle. These parts will be used to confirm "Safe-Off" forces on a larger sample. If these prototypes prove acceptable, the new Safety Lever design can then be implemented with minimal risk.

Samples of the Model 788 with the current and proposed Safety Lever designs were presented for Committee review. Production noted that the economic effect of implementing this design change is negligible.

Marketing reported that they approve of the new design and asked that the change be completed by September, including the Safety Lever. Production indicated that this timing can be met.

Committee Action

The Operations Committee approved the program as presented, and directed Production and Research to proceed with implementation plans.