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TO:

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FROM:

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SUBJECT:

Monthly Report - July

New Product Development - Rifles

Model 700 Mountain Rifle

(K. L. Calkins)

The N/C Shop work has been stopped pending the receipt of a tool drawing. PE&C is preparing the drawing and is aware of a possible delay to the schedule that may result.

New Bolt Action Rifle

(F. E. Martin, K. L. Calkins)

The long awaited Research - Marketing meeting was held July 17 and a preferred design was selected from the alternatives. Legal questions still remain regarding the bolt lock as well as customer preferences relating to the magazine box and bolt handle styling. Marketing will address these questions in addition to caliber volumes and pricing. Research will begin the fabrication and test of the preferred design.

Model 7400 Functional Improvements

(J. A. Lawrence, F. H. Smith)

Research efforts to improve the chambering, extraction and feeding are continuing. The EDL contract to investigate chamber finish and friction has been approved and work has started.

A new design extractor is being developed as a potential replacement for the current rivetless design. Prototype single lip stamped magazine boxes are in the Test Lab and work on the mold for the snythetic box is progressing.

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