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Of course I did not sleep very well last night......you know the main point that really caused discomfort......this means Bob Off wins!! You guys complain every meeting about Ilion performance and how they are the root of your problems but we are going to fold to their mentality and hell, by giving in, we are giving them a vote of confidence! How can we conscientiously allow that to happen? Regardless of side eject or bottom eject, the tolerances of the receiver will not change, they will still have to meet the same machining tolerances. Now, if Bob says they can make a side eject receiver he ought to be crucified, there are no differences from a machining standpoint! For a processing engineering manager to not understand that is sad, as well as the fact that he is allowed to sling BS like that!

If you guys are thinking aluminum, the length of time required to design/test/prove the structural integrity will be outrageous, we tried a short time ago to build an aluminum 11-87 and failed miserably.

Remember how you guys felt at the writers seminar as the 28 gauges dropped out, is that the way we want Remington to operate? How do we fix the problem......not by allowing the Ilion mentality to win. John, think about our Chrysler conversation, we are Chrysler right now and it is decision time, close the doors or fix the problems. Obviously I have no say, but you guys (Trull and yourself) may have a voice together?