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Production reported that the initial sample of Safety Levers from the vendor's new tooling was rejected for hole size and cam position. New samples are expected by February 12. Production shipments will begin two to four weeks after sample approval.

About 10,000 old style Safety Levers have been modified by the vendor. The modification involves clipping the Safety Arm to a new (shorter) dimension. Another 10,000 will be modified by mid-February. As soon as sample parts from new production tooling have been approved, the change will be implemented using the modified Safeties on hand. Research will test a sample from the first production lot.

The Chairman noted that further discussion is required to determine how to handle the transition and subsequent customer repairs. The Chairman also pointed out that the Bolt Locks will be deleted from other bolt action rifles as well.

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