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Mr. Howard G. Boker Product Service Manager East Alton Operations Winchester-Western Division Olin Corporation East Alton, Illinois 62024

Dear Mr. Boker:

Reference is made to your letter dated September 9, 1975 concerning the 6.5MM Manulicher Carcano cartridge.

I have had occasion to write to Winchester Western before in regards to this particular cartridge and your recent letter has somewhat confus fused me. Perhaps you might be able to clarify things for me.

First of all, I had previously been advised that this particular cartridge had been manufactured under government contract during World War II (letter dated March 1970) and now you have stated that the only manufacturing of this cartraige was in 1954. Is it possible that we are talking about two different government contracts? If so, is there any way by which one may differentiate between the two, such as markings in the head stamps?

My interest in the composition of the core and jacket metals is purely scientific in nature and concerns the field of emission spectrography, which is why I desired to know if the balance of the unused metals from the World War II contract might have been used in the manufacturing of other cartridges such as the .30 calliber M-1 cartridge for instance.

Perhaps my request ask for much detail but I would vary much appreciate any assistance which you may be able to offer. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Emory L Brown, Jr.