



**International LLC**

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John T. Tracy  
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Defense and Space Division

Dear Mr. Tracy

It is my pleasure to inform you that you are the recipient of the 2023 Tau Pi Lambda award in recognition of your contributions to the advancement of small arms technology. Through your efforts, new high-strength steels were developed to significantly extend the life of gun barrels, particularly for military applications.

By your actions, manufacturing challenges were addressed and solved to validate the producibility of these new grades. In spite of the limited funds available, you found the means to support testing and you actively participated in every aspect of the tests. At test completion, you contributed to the compilation of test data, presenting the results in way that has now convinced the military and gun barrel manufacturers to embrace this technological advancement.

This yearly award is presented yearly by Gun IQ International LLC, a recognized leader in small arms technology. The name of the award is derived from the Greek and translates: *Rifle and Machine Gun Principles* and recognizes leaders who have advanced the technology.

Congratulations

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