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Dear Sirs:

As a former police officer and undercover narc, I've naturally maintained an active interest in firearms. I've collected and shot a variety of weapons in my forty-eight years and am always open to trying new products. I own and have owned a number of Taurus pistols and have always been more than pleased with their performance.

Now to the point. I've recently purchased your PT 24/ 7, in .40S&W, and as usual, I'm impressed. (This would be a great military sidearm as far as I'm concerned.)

Something that has always puzzled me, however, is the logic of putting illuminating or white dot type sights on any firearm. I would prefer to have the target more visible than the sights, especially in a hostile environment (and I've seen a few of those in my law enforcement career). Whether doing a building search or hunting an armed suspect down a poorly lit alley, I want to be able to see through my sights and into the target area without bright lights in the foreground blinding me to what might be down there. Unfortunately, the first thing my eye focuses on when I bring a firearm to bear is the little white or yellow dots and not the subject downrange. The precious seconds it could take to refocus on the threat and then get a proper sight picture could be my last precious seconds.

Now I come to the nitty-gritty of this letter. I've recently been introduced to a type of pistol/ sub-gun/ shotgun sight which I firmly believe will be of great interest to you as a maker of superior firearms.

It's called the "HexSite" and its designer is a man named Tim Sheehan, who resides in Sedona, Arizona (tacsite@aspect1.net). Mr. Sheehan is quite a gunsmith and an avid shooter, and when he gives an opinion, I tend to listen. He convinced me to try his "HexSite", which he had mounted on several firearms, including semi-auto pistols, submachine guns and a 12 ga. Riot gun. I'll admit that in the back of my mind I was thinking "Well, how impressive can a different sight be from what's out there now?" But, because it was Tim, I figured I'd give it a fair test.

Oh my God! I can't remember when a new product has made such an immediate impression on me. Regardless of the weapon, the sights created an immediate sight picture with no

obstructions, and actually, by optical illusion I suppose, made the downrange target seem brighter. This is with no extra illumination, flashlight, laser or anything else. I like the idea of not announcing myself with lights when I have to search for the bad guy. Also, the “HexSite” is the most rugged sight I’ve ever seen. You would probably have to use a hammer to damage it (a very good battle quality, as you probably know).

These sights seem to line themselves up. It’s the most remarkable thing I’ve ever experienced with an iron sight. The sight is designed to be used with both eyes open, giving better overall vision downrange. If someone was describing the effect of this sight to me I would be skeptical. However, after seeing for myself, I believe this sight will alter and perhaps even revolutionize current thinking in the area of iron sights. I plan to have Mr. Sheehan install his “HexSite” on all applicable weapons I own.

I’ll not try to explain the intricacies of these sights, that’s better left to Mr. Sheehan.

I will say this. Taurus is quickly becoming a leader in the design and manufacture of world class firearms, and the “HexSite” is a sight worthy of a world class firearm.

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