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ATTN: Mr. Larry McCune

Dear Mr. McCune,

We recently were privileged to field test the Guard Lift, being called the "Original 3rd Hand" by SJ2 Industries.

Our field crew tested the product for safety, durability and functionality. We recommended slight changes to the product to make it more durable. We however, found the product to be much more safe than trying to lift the guard with the left hand while trying to hold the upper handle.

The function of the guard lift allows usage or not, depending on the cutting situation required. The lower guard is not impeded by the lifting mechanism, as it will automatically release upon right thumb removal.

In a perfect world the guard would never have to be lifted except by the material itself, though that is not field conditions. It has been a battle to get carpenters to not "pin" their guards, which as you know can result in injury.

This product seems to eliminate the need to "pin" the guard and makes the operation of the saw safer, due to the left hand is not near the blade while lifting the guard, and is also free to hold the upper handle.

We would definitely like to see this product in the field and recommend our carpenters to utilize this safety device.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me to discuss.

Sincerely,


Brian Christianson