LETTER REPORT

AN ENERGY-DISPERSIVE X-RAY FLUORESCENCE ANALYSIS OF OBSIDIAN ARTIFACTS FROM AZ P:8:63 (FIVE MILE DRAW) AND AZ P:8:65 (BEETHOVEN), NAVAJO COUNTY, ARIZONA

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Dear Stacy,

The assemblage is quite diverse, although small, with sources from northern and central Arizona (Government Mountain and Superior) and northern New Mexico (El Rechuelos) [Shackley 2005]. All analyses for this study were conducted on the ThermoScientific Quant’X XRF spectrometer at the Geoarchaeological XRF Laboratory, Albuquerque, New Mexico. Specific instrumental methods can be found at http://www.swxrflab.net/anlysis.htm, and Shackley (2005). Source assignment was made by comparison to source standard data in the laboratory. Analysis of the USGS RGM-1 standard indicates high machine precision for the elements of interest (Table 1 here).

Sincerely,

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Table 1. Elemental concentrations for the archaeological samples. All measurements in parts per million (ppm).

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