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Sara Cullen Department of Anthropology University of Colorado Boulder, Colorado

Dear Sara,

All three artifacts were produced from Valles Rhyolite (Cerro del Medio) or El Rechuelos Rhyolite obsidian in the Jemez Mountains of northern New Mexico (Table 1).

All analyses for this study were conducted on a ThermoScientific *Quant'X* XRF spectrometer at the Geoarchaeological XRF Laboratory, Albuquerque, New Mexico. Specific instrumental methods and source standard data can be found at http://www.swxrflab.net, and Shackley (2005).

Sincerely,

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Shackley, M.S.

2005 Obsidian: Geology and Archaeology in the North American Southwest. University of Arizona Press, Tucson.

Table 1. Elemental concentrations for the archaeological samples and USGS RGM-1 obsidian rock standard. Measurements in parts per million (ppm) or wt. % as noted.

Sample	Ti	Mn	Fe	Zn	Rb	Sr	Υ	Zr	Nb	Source
	ppm	ppm	%	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	ppm	
22	614	389	0.56	87	150	11	21	71	44	El Rechuelos Rhy
23	563	386	0.82	67	150	14	43	167	54	Valles Rhy (Cerro del
										Medio
26	858	435	0.60	82	158	11	21	81	48	El Rechuelos Rhy
RGM1-	147	318	1.29	37	145	104	22	210	3	standard
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