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Dear Don:

Sorry to take so long to answer your letter but I just returned from Washington, D.C. the other day and I am behind on everything. We attended the International Show and then had some "politickin" to do. I have a Congressman friend who introduces needed legislation for me from time to time.

Everything was shipped on the 23rd and the 26th. I hope it all arrives OK. The Obsidian stockpile is going down quite rapidly as it is beginning to sell pretty well again. We have one man coming down from Minnesota in the near future with a truck to pick up 10,000 lbs.

Sure sorry we couldn't get together in Tucson. But as you know, I was leaving on a trip and I just couldn't get over there and back in time to make connections. It is necessary for Jeannette and I to do a lot of traveling in order to keep up with this thing. However, business is really booming, except for the fact that I am having a little trouble collecting some large accounts. We don't normally send anything on credit but I guess anyone is entitled to make a mistake from time to time.

I will be happy to receive the core and artifact but I know you are busy so don't worry about it too much.

Thanks a lot for everything, Don.

Best wishes,



Ed Barry

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