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Item number: 2260392588

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Start time: Jul-30-04 11:03:12 PDT

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Item location: Montclair, CA
United States

Ships to: United States only

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There was a lot of controversy surrounding this specimen. I bought the 57 pound piece from Peltedplanet about ten days ago. Based on a conversation with Robert Szep. He said there was a lot of solid metal found in the meteor wrongs he had for sale. He said some looked like mesosiderites as nice as Esterville and others were found to be nearly pure iron. I thought if nothing else it would be nice to have big pieces of native iron. Robert said the streak test did not show hematite at all. He said a number of local Canadian collectors had bought small specimens from him and were satisfied they were real. I believed him, because he has a Geology degree and is (I thought) a well respected dealer. I thought the piece should be sliced and sent to a respected lab.

I am embarassed to have believed him.

There is no need to have this analyzed. It is Hematite.

After recieving the specimen, I imediately cut it. I could see the tell tale red of hematite as soon as the blade hit the rock. After the cut was finished, there was no visible metallic iron, not even at 10 power could metal be seen.

The regmaglypts Robert saw, appear to be nothing more than desert wind blown sand blasting of the surface.

I am not asking you to buy this piece. I am trying to put an end to this situation. I am not an expert, but have a fairly wide Earth Science background. I have a BA in Physical Anthropology as well as Environmental Science.

I received numerous emails regarding my buying this piece and felt like a fool when I saw the second piece for sale. It seems so obvious it is hematite.

I will wait to leave feedback for peltedplanet, until I here back from Rob. I have left a phone message.

If you do want to buy this to see for yourself it weighs about 6 and 3/4 pounds.

I am Jim Coffman IMCA member # 6622.

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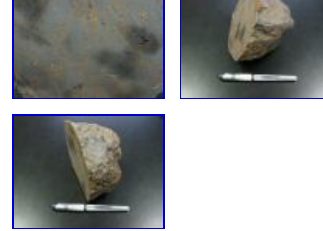
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It has been pointed out to me, that it would be prudent to do a nickel test. I do not have a nickel test kit, so it may take a while.

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