tion of the rocks is characterized by the presence of intermediate-acid rocks in the early stage, acid rocks in the middle stage and alkaline rocks in the late stage. Lithologically, the ignimbrites may usually change into lavas of the same composition; weakly welded rocks may change into tuffs. Textures of plastic deformation and pseudorhyolitic structures are another important feature of acid and intermediate ignimbrites as compared with their analogucs. Plastic stretching of pyroclasts, mainly vitric fragments of plastic deformation, torn-up fragments, other than some undeformed rigid fragments. Pseudorhyolitic structures are formed by parallel arrangement and overlapping of vitric fragments of plastic deformation, torn-up fragments; they resemble rhyolitic structures in appearance and so the name. The fragments making up the ignimbrites include rock fragments, crystal fragments, vitric fragments of plastic deformation, torn-up fragments of plastic deformation, plastic rock fragments and dusty fragments. The first two kinds of fragment are generally regarded as being formed by brittle fracturing of a rigid body. About this view, there are few disputes. On the other hand, as to the origins of the last four kinds of fragments, divergent views exist because their origins are complex; so the paper devotes a lot of space to dealing with them. The ignimbrites may be subdivided into three subspecies, the strongly plastically deformed, intetmediately plastically deformed and weakly plastically deformed ignimbrites. The two end members may grade into lavas and tuffs of the same composition. The paper devotes certain space to discussing their diagnostic features and distinguishing criteria.

武汉市编制1:5万地质图系

武汉市是我国大城市之一,是华中经济、交通中心,又是经济体制改革试点城市。但长期以来武汉地区没有大比例尺的区域地质、区域矿产和区域环境地质图件,城市发展的区域地质背景不很 清楚,影响城市的规划和建设。为此,湖北地矿局根据地矿部关于加强城市地质工作的指示精神,于1985 年快速编制了一套武汉市1:5万地质图系。1986年4月1日至3日,地质图系经武汉市经委、科委、规划局、勘测院、省侧绘局、地矿局等单位评审。认为该图系基本反映了武汉地区最新地质研究成果,是武汉市进行规划、建设的一份较好的基础地质资料,同意验收。尽快出版提供省、市各单位使用。

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