## 2017 AP<sup>®</sup> CHEMISTRY FREE-RESPONSE QUESTIONS

- 6. Answer the following questions about Mg(OH)<sub>2</sub>. At 25°C, the value of the solubility product constant,  $K_{sp}$ , for Mg(OH)<sub>2</sub>(s) is  $1.8 \times 10^{-11}$ .
  - (a) Calculate the number of grams of Mg(OH)<sub>2</sub> (molar mass 58.32 g/mol) that is dissolved in 100. mL of a saturated solution of Mg(OH)<sub>2</sub> at 25°C.
  - (b) The energy required to separate the ions in the  $Mg(OH)_2$  crystal lattice into individual  $Mg^{2+}(g)$  and  $OH^-(g)$  ions, as represented in the table below, is known as the lattice energy of  $Mg(OH)_2(s)$ . As shown in the table, the lattice energy of  $Sr(OH)_2(s)$  is less than the lattice energy of  $Mg(OH)_2(s)$ . Explain why in terms of periodic properties and Coulomb's law.

Reaction	Lattice Energy (kJ/mol)
$Mg(OH)_2(s) \rightarrow Mg^{2+}(g) + 2 OH^{-}(g)$	2900
$\operatorname{Sr(OH)}_2(s) \to \operatorname{Sr}^{2+}(g) + 2 \operatorname{OH}^-(g)$	2300

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