

NOTICE BY THE EDITORS

Volume 101, Number 1 (1992), in the Letter to the Editor entitled "The Synthesis and Structure of a Beryllophosphate Crystal with an Open Framework," by Yu Long, pages 199–201: It has been brought to the Editors' attention that the tabulated bond distances and angles agree to within at least four significant figures with those published in an earlier paper by George A. Lager and C. V. Gibbs, "A Refinement of the Crystal Structure of Herderite, CaBePO_4OH ," *American Mineralogist* 59, 919 (1974). The earlier research was carried out on a natural

crystal whereas the later work was performed on synthetic material. The labeling of atoms and order of presentation of the tabulated material are substantially the same in the two publications; also, the structural representations in the comparable figures differ only trivially. We regret that these similarities were not noticed during the normal review of Dr. Long's manuscript. Dr. Long has assured the Editors that his results were independently derived and that the various similarities are entirely coincidental.