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Salem Press Announces the Third Edition of the *Encyclopedia of Climate Change*

This third edition of the *Encyclopedia of Climate Change*, originally published in 2010 as the *Encyclopedia of Global Warming*, provides comprehensive coverage of global warming and climate change. It includes 558 essays and extensive back matter written specifically to provide students at high school and undergraduate levels with a comprehensive and convenient source of information on the fundamental science and sociopolitical issues, including the debates and controversies, surrounding climate change.

The study of climate change involves scientists, policy makers, the business sector, government and non-government agencies, and the general public. Understanding climate change from the perspectives of both environmental science and society involves studying not only scientific terms and concepts but political organizations, geography, social concepts, specific individuals, private associations, and laws. *The Encyclopedia of Climate Change* includes coverage in all these areas, including topics and opinions on both sides of the debate—how much of climate change is the result of human behavior and how much is naturally occurring?

The essays in this set fall into 29 broad categories, from animals and astronomy to transportation and water resources. Content also includes a wide variety of resources, including conferences, organizations, books, movies, TV shows and more. Essays range in length from 400 to 2,000 words, and appear in one of six possible formats: **Term** which are essays that define a term and then explain its significance for climate change; **Overview** essays discuss a scientific, policy, or social phenomenon or debate; **Organization** essays provide the date the organization was established, its web site, mission and significance for climate change; **Biographical** essays discuss individuals who have had significant impact on the study of climate change.; **Top-Twenty Emitter** essays cover the twenty nations with the highest annual emissions of greenhouse gases; **Law and Treaty** essays provide the date of passage or ratification of the law or treaty, a list of participating nations, discussions of the law's background, provisions, and significance for climate change. Essays longer than 400 words conclude with an annotated bibliography for further reading, and all essays include an author byline and a list of cross-references.

Topics discussed in this title include:

- **Air pollution history**
- **Carbon footprint**
- **Composting**
- **Desertification**
- **Estuaries**
- **Fossil fuel emissions**
- **Gulf steam**
- **Industrial ecology**
- **Meteorology**
- **Nitrogen cycle**
- **Nuclear energy**
- **Population growth**
- **Rainfall patterns**
- **Sea surface temperatures**
- **Sunspots**
- **Tidal power**
- **Ultraviolet radiation**
- **And much, much more!**

Several features distinguish this series as a whole from other reference works. The front matter includes: a list of *Abbreviations and Acronyms* used throughout; *Common Units of Measure*, measurements in the body of the set are in metric units, each volume includes a table converting metric/SI units into imperial units for the user's convenience; a *Complete Table of Contents* of all three volumes; a *Complete List of Contents* by category, to aid the reader in finding all essays relevant to a particular topic.

The back matter includes: *Mediagraphy*, major books, films, television programs, and other media in recent years addressing the issues surrounding climate change; *Time Line*, chronology of the major events relating to understanding of and response to climate change; *Glossary* of technical and other specialized terms used throughout the set; *General Bibliography*, a comprehensive list of works on climate change for students seeking more information on the subject; *Websites*, official sites of key organizations, advocacy groups, and online databases; and lastly, a *Subject Index*, a detailed index to concepts, terms, events, persons, places, phenomena, and other relevant topics.

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