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Grey House Publishing announces the Second Edition of *The Environmental Debate: A Documentary History*

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This second edition of *The Environmental Debate* is the first published by Grey House Publishing. The first edition was published by Greenwood Press in 1999. This updated and expanded edition has a new chapter with documents from 2000 to 2010, a new Resources appendix that features hundreds of environmentally significant organizations, more photos and an expanded Timeline. *The Environmental Debate* addresses a wide range of environmental issues, including biotechnology, global warming, green economics and the environmental impact of the American diet.

First, a **General Introduction** presents a clear, succinct overview of the extremely complex environmental issues that are the subjects of the Primary Documents. Fifteen pages long, this Introduction addresses nine environmental categories: Land Use & Property Rights; Water Availability & Quality; Energy, Air Quality, Climate Change & Atmospheric Issues; Waste Production & Disposal; Toxic Chemicals & Radioactive Waste and Their Disposal; Forests, Wilderness & Wildlife; Fisheries, Oceans & Aquatic Life and The Loss of Bio-diversity.

The main body of the text consists of **168 Primary Documents**. Documents include the writings of naturalists, conservationists, scientists, philosophers, lawyers, judges, politicians, sociologists, artists and poets, as well as from government reports, federal, state, and local legislation, and court cases. The collected documents present a wide variety of attitudes about environmental issues, to ensure balanced and complete coverage of the environmental debate.

Detailed **Historical Introductions** begin each chapter and precede each primary document, to provide a context for analyzing each document and will aid readers to better understand the various stands taken in debates over how, why, and if our environment needs to be protected.

Chapters are arranged chronologically to illustrate how environmental thought has changed over time. Chapters cover:

- Foundations of American Environmental Thought & Action
- Politicians, Naturalists and Artists in the New Nation 1776-1839
- The Origins of Environmental Activism, 1840-1889
- The Conservation Movement Era, 1890-1919
- Reconsidering Our Relationship to Nature, 1920-1959
- The Heyday of the Environmental Movement, 1960-1979
- Confronting Economic & Social Realities, 1980-1999
- Entering the Century of the Environment, 2000-2010

The text is extensively cross-referenced to aid in comparing and contrasting opinions and to direct the reader to sources of additional research.

Additional features include:

Appendix I, **Significant Dates in American Environmental History** includes discoveries, inventions, court cases, legislation, and world events. This timeline starts with the 1626 ordinance passed by the Plymouth Colony regulating the cutting and selling of timber, and ends with the 2010 oil rig explosion in the Gulf of Mexico – the largest oil spill in U.S. history.

New! Appendix II, **Major National Environmental Organizations** that effect our national policy includes contact data on everything from the from Clean Water Network to the Wilderness Society.

Glossary includes 75 definitions – from scientific to legal to political. It includes terms frequently heard, like Acid Rain and Wildlife, to those that may not be immediately understood, like Biota, Environmental Justice, and Fracking.

Further Readings includes more than 100 books and articles indexed by our editors to deepen the reader's understanding of any given aspect of the environmental debate.

A **Detailed Index** rounds out this significant reference work.

The Environmental Debate serves a wide range of curriculums as well as current affairs research needs as it explores critical topics that impact us socially, economically, politically and environmentally. This updated second edition, with its broad array of perspectives, will be a welcome resource for students and researchers wishing to explore controversial environmental issues from as many different angles as possible.

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