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### **Addendum:**

### **Changes to DOE Energy Information Administration (EIA) Kids Educational Pages**

**In the Energy Information Administration (EIA) office of the Department of Energy, the Energy Kids educational page on greenhouse gases was updated to remove a paragraph about US and total global emissions.**

#### **Description**

There were several changes to the EIA's Energy Kids educational page on greenhouse gases, including a full paragraph removal, text changes, and numerical value adjustments to reflect updated information.

This report is submitted as an addendum to [Report 10](#), which details more changes to the EIA Kids educational pages.

The most notable changes to this page are summarized here:

1. Removal of paragraph about US greenhouse gas emissions compared to total global emissions, and percentage of energy obtained through burning fossil fuels.
2. Changing phrase "much of the growth" to "much of the projected growth" with regards to carbon dioxide emissions.

**Page 1: EIA Energy Kids - Greenhouse Gases**

- URL: [http://www.eia.gov/kids/energy.cfm?page=environment\\_about\\_ghg-basics](http://www.eia.gov/kids/energy.cfm?page=environment_about_ghg-basics)
- Side-by-side View: 1/17/2017 to 2/9/2017

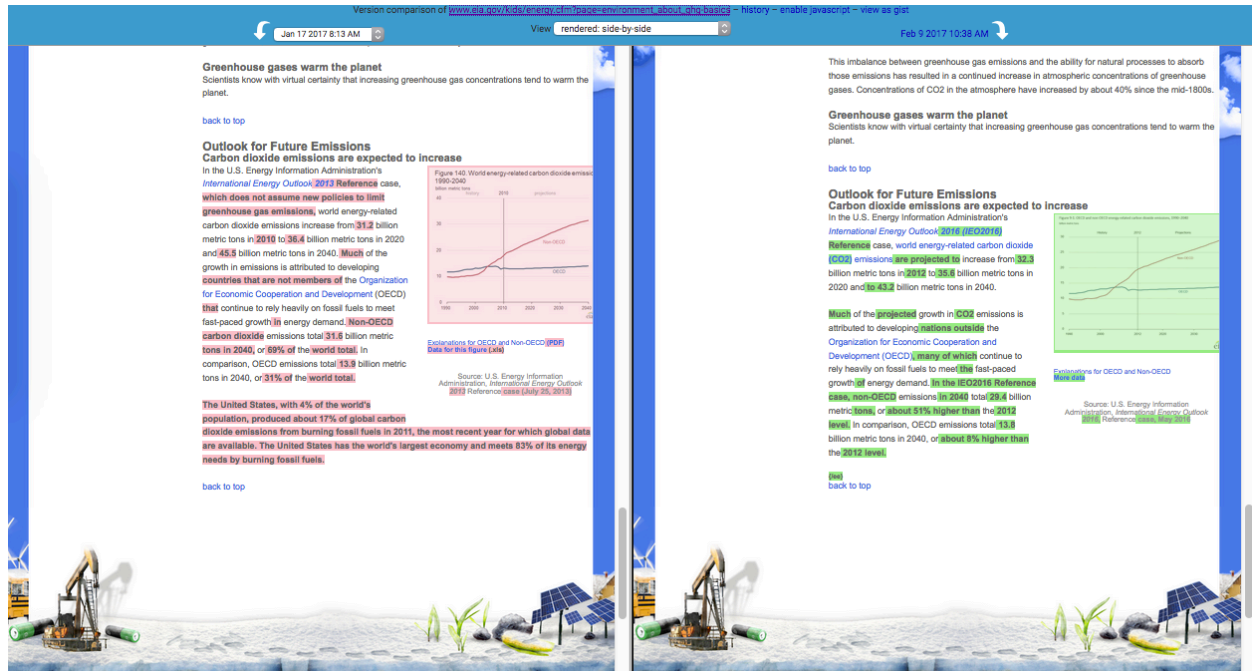
**Screenshot 1.1**

(1.1a) Removal of paragraph about US greenhouse gas emissions compared to total global emissions and the percentage of energy in the US obtained by burning fossil fuels.

“The United States, with 4% of the world’s population, produced about 17% of global carbon dioxide emissions from burning fossil fuels in 2011, the most recent year for which global data are available. The United States has the world’s largest economy and meets 83% of its energy needs by burning fossil fuels.”

(1.1b) Phrase “much of the growth” changed to “much of the projected growth” in carbon dioxide emissions.

(1.1c) Adjustments to future emission statistics because of a switch from the 2013 to the 2016 *International Energy Outlook Reference*.



**Internet Archive Page Status:**

Previous version of page captured on January 24, 2017:

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