

ON THE GREENHOUSE EFFECT...

What sort of effect would a NAFTA have on the greenhouse effect, with increased emissions of carbon dioxide triggered by increased industrial activity?

-- Since any incremental greenhouse emissions are likely to be small, compared to expected trends in global totals, the environmental effects of the NAFTA are likely to be relatively insignificant.

-- The review team concluded that the modest economic growth generated in Canada by the Agreement would not result in a significant increase in carbon emissions. Canada is committed to stabilizing greenhouse gas emissions.

-- All three countries signed the United Nations Framework on Climate Change, committing member countries to limit emissions and report progress. Successful efforts under these agreements will help reduce the greenhouse gas emissions that have traditionally resulted from economic growth.