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changes that would need to occur between 1990 and 2030 to arrive at

this future vision. This vision, derived from ethical, political, and ecological principles, is not viewed as definitive, for the authors hope to inspire others to conceive of, and work towards, their own visions of a sustainable future. Life in 2030 makes a significant contribution to interdisciplinary studies on the environment and sustainability because it develops a scenario that allows for an evaluation of the changes required to achieve a sustainable society. This book is required reading for anyone interested in a sustainable future environment. It also provides an original and provocative look at life in Canada in the twenty-first century.