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Black Tide: The Devastating Impact Of The Gulf Oil Spill





Synopsis

A searing look at the human face of BP's disaster in the gulfIt is the largest oil disaster in American history, and it could happen again. It is more than a story of ruined beaches, dead wildlife, corporate spin, political machinations, and financial fallout. It is a riveting human drama filled with people whose lives will forever be defined as ""before"" and ""after the gulf oil disaster."" Black Tide is the only book to tell this story through the perspective of people on all sides of the catastrophe, from those who lost their lives, loved ones, and livelihoods to those who made the policies that set the devastating event in motion, those who cut the corners that put corporate profits over people and the environment, and those who have committed their lives to ensuring that such an event is never repeated.Dramatic and compelling, Black Tide exposes the human failings and human cost of the largest oil disaster in American history and how it could easily happen again.""We cannot allow the BP disaster to be pushed from public view the way BP used chemical dispersants to hide the oil. These remarkable stories-of loss, heroism and culpability-are a vivid reminder that this catastrophe will be with us for decades, and that we have not yet made the changes necessary to prevent destruction in the future.""-Naomi Klein, author of The Shock Doctrine: The Rise of Disaster Capitalism.""It's hard to imagine a better person to turn loose on this epochal disaster than Antonia Juhasz, with her compassionate heart, vivid prose, and rich expertise in both oil and economic policy. From oil-smeared beaches, to the drilling rig's control room, to the big picture of Big Oil and the governments they push around. It's not just about disaster: it's a series of encounters with real people, from oceanographers to oyster-shuckers, striving to make things right. Black Tide is riveting, infuriating, and incredibly important.-Rebecca Solnit, author of A Paradise Built in Hell: The Extraordinary Communities that Arise in DisasterPraise for The Tyranny of Oil""Reminds us that those who don't learn the lessons of history are fated to repeat its mistakes."" -USA Today""[A] timely, blistering critique . . . white-hot"" -Kirkus starred review""[A] thorough, readable takedown of Big Oil."" -Publishers Weekly""Abrave, groundbreaking case study. . . . A good first step toward true energy independence is to read this insightful book."" -The Christian Science Monitor

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Antonia Juhasz really knows her stuff. In this book, she ensures that the effects of this disaster are known to the world. She provides an outlet for those impacted to share their stories, the real stories that you don't necessarily hear or read in the news, and you are left with a much more thorough understanding about the environmental damage that occurred. If you want to know what REALLY happened in regards to the Gulf oil spill, read this book.

This book is very troubling. It details the corporate greed, lies and misstatements of BP and the American government's complicity in covering up the extent and damage caused by the oil spill. Criminal charges should be brought against all those responsible and the Federal officils who lied should be disciplined. Must reading!

I watched 1:30 of stupendous fact-sharing by the author and two other experts on CSpan2 yesterday and came here to look at the book itself. Hearing Ms Juhasz tell of all she went through to gather information -- of the cover-ups and curtailing of information (If you can't see photos, then it doesn't exist.) -- makes the publication of this book all the more amazing.Now... what do we plan to do with this information?

I bought this book because I had a lot of questions about the oil spill; plus I didn't like BP. I recommend the book to anyone who wants the truth about the incident. I discovered that everything I had heard or read, on TV, the net, from the Administration and from BP was false. Adding dispersant doesn't get rid of the oil, it simply disperses it over a wider area. BP had plenty of warning about trouble but chose to ignore it. DP had no backup plan; and still doesn't. Fishing and crabbing businesses have been devastated and little has been done to help. Large oil plumes still

exist beneath the surface. The administration has said BP will pickup all costs but very little has been done. And deep water drilling still goes on.

I feel as though I need to be informed about this disastrous oil spill. I am only in the beginning of the book, but it is very well written.

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