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Saving the American Dream is a provocative and thoughtful account of how our nations ideals of equality and the pursuit of happiness emerged as an inspiration and a beacon of hope for the entire world, and how politicians, Wall Street and our own sense of entitlement have gradually eroded this Dream to the point of endangering Americas preeminence. In this fascinating and informative book, Louis Hernandez, Jr. explores the origins, evolution and economic underpinnings of the American Dream, detailing how key government policies over-facilitated the Dreams attainment, weakened the will of the American people and drove us inexorably toward the 2007 financial crisis. He shows how policies put in place after the crisis not only failed to address the core problems America faces, but created a growing disconnect between Wall Street and Main Street that has made things far worse. The book examines how our myopic political focus on Too Big to Fail institutions has threatened the most crucial pillars of the American Dream our small businesses, and the community banks and credit unions that support them and sabotaged their ability to support job growth and responsible financial services for families and local communities. Politicians, economists, and Wall Street would have us believe that limitless economic expansion is the

Holy Grail, and that there is no conflict between growing the economy and protecting the environment. Supply Shock debunks these widely accepted myths and demonstrates that we are in fact navigating the end of the era of economic growth, and that the only sustainable alternative is the development of a steady state economy. Starting with a refreshingly accessible, comprehensive critique of economic growth, the author engages readers in an enormous topic that affects everyone in every country. Publishers Weekly favorably compared Brian Czech to Carl Sagan for popularizing their difficult subjects; Supply Shock shows why. Czech presents a compelling alternative to growth based on keen scientific, economic, and political insights including: The "trophic theory of money" The overlooked source of technological progress that prevents us from reconciling growth and environmental protection Bold yet practical policies for establishing a steady state economy Supply Shock leaves no doubt that the biggest idea of the twentieth century—economic growth—has become the biggest problem of the twenty-first. Required reading for anyone concerned about the world our children and grandchildren will inherit, this landmark work lays a solid foundation for a new economic model, perhaps in time for preventing global catastrophes; certainly in time for lessening the damages. Brian Czech is the founder of Center for the Advancement of the Steady State Economy (CASSE), the leading organization promoting the transition from unsustainable growth to a new economic paradigm. Newspaper columns blare the news daily. There is no doubt that we are struggling through a worldwide economic and financial crisis of a magnitude not witnessed since the Great Depression. In this environment, fraught with danger, no company can afford to take a wait-and-see attitude. One hesitation or misstep can result in the rapid demise of a once stalwart enterprise. Even small miscalculations can topple mighty empires; consider the U.S. auto industry, for example. The severity of the crisis demands that your company understand its causes, diagnose carefully, implement decisively and monitor constantly. However, the crisis also creates chances for companies that learn to assess risk, recognize opportunity and take action quickly. This book is an antidote to the chorus of doom-and-gloom, a manual for business leaders and employees who are ready to fight. In Beat the Crisis, international strategy guru, Hermann Simon, offers 33 practical actions that any company can take immediately. Organized into broad categories—"Changing Customer Needs," "Sales and the Sales Force," "Managing Offers and Prices" and "Services"—Simon shows companies how to focus on the areas where emphatic action can have quick and maximum impact on corporate performance. Drawing from dozens of successful cases around the world, Simon helps readers learn to read the market signals, develop quick solutions, and stay a step ahead of their competitors, while avoiding the pitfalls looming in the crisis. A

concluding chapter looks beyond the crisis and considers the longer-term socio-political and business consequences, in which Simon foresees a new era of restraint. Jawanza Kunjufu examines how to keep black businesses and the more than \$450 billion generated by them in the black community. A NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER A business leader and esteemed economic thinker outlines simple solutions to America's five most pressing public policy issues, from healthcare to education to inequality. America today confronts a host of urgent problems, many of them seemingly intractable, but some we are entirely capable of solving. In Five Easy Theses, James M. Stone presents specific, common-sense solutions to a handful of our most pressing challenges, showing how simple it would be to shore up Social Security, rein in an out-of-control financial sector, reduce inequality, and make healthcare and education better and more affordable. The means are right in front of us, Stone explains, in various policy options that — if implemented — could preserve or enhance government revenue while also channeling the national economy toward the greater good. Accessible and thought provoking, Five Easy Theses reveals that a more democratic, prosperous America is well within our reach. A behind-the-scenes exposure why our electricity system is headed for a state of emergency-and what can be done to head it off Most people don't realize that skyrocketing global energy demand and economic growth severely affect the supply of electricity. Between production (power plants) and delivery is an antiquated, "third-world" transmission grid that is in desperate need of hardening against breakdowns, terrorist attacks, inadequate carrying capacity, and operational obsolescence. And while electricity doesn't hold the headlines or dramatic power of oil, the ability to ensure its uninterrupted supply at a reasonable price is even more essential to global survival and prosperity. Lights Out is today's most detailed, in-depth examination of this largely unreported looming energy crisis. Written by one of the world's top electricity industry experts, this powerful book covers numerous hot button economic and political issues-free markets versus regulation; energy independence versus foreign imports; nuclear power, global warming, and other environmental issues; and much more. Beyond just uncovering and illuminating the problems, however, it proposes a comprehensive road map of technical solutions and regulatory reform from both the production and demand sides of the equation-a framework for rethinking, rebuilding, and enhancing the entire electricity production and delivery infrastructure. Prescriptive and provocative, Lights Out will redefine the simmering debate on how the world can-and must-act now to head off a global catastrophe, one that could eventually wreak even more havoc than the ongoing oil crisis. Jason Makansi is the President of Pearl Street, Inc., a consulting firm; Principal of PS Liquidity Advisors, an advisory service for energy technology

companies raising capital; and Executive Director of the Energy Storage Council, a public-policy advocacy organization. A prolific author, respected industry thought leader, and seasoned communicator, Mr. Makansi has been analyzing the technological, business, and regulatory issues in electricity production and delivery for over twenty-five years. He earned a BS in chemical engineering from Columbia University. His earlier books include *An Investor's Guide to the Electricity Economy*, also published by John Wiley & Sons, and *Managing Steam: An Engineering Guide to Commercial, Industrial, and Utility Systems*. Government and business relations are often captured in grand terms and a monolithic manner. The relationship between the two sectors is described through economic and political philosophies that are often adversarial and detached from the day to running of government and business. While such descriptions and theoretical underpinnings serve an important role, they do little to address the challenges and realities that affect these relationships from the perspective of everyday public management. This book will present advice and solutions for fruitful government-business alliances. Each chapter will discuss a traditional tool of government presented in a more practical and applied manner. While the tentative table of contents will not look much different from a typical book on government-business relations, the content of each chapter will be substantially different. Each chapter will discuss the implementation of these tools with clear examples and cases rather than the theoretical potential for each of these tools. Creative Government-Business Alliances will include several content-rich case studies on a wide range of policy issues, including regulatory policy, natural resources, manufacturing, financial services, and health care. A bipartisan plan for both the business and policy communities to make the U.S. economic system work for each and every American. The current recession in America has caused sweeping changes in the economy. Some people have suffered systematically more than others. This book was inspired via thought and discussion about people coping in challenging economic times. Hopefully, this book will inspire thought and discussion on behalf of the reader. During a recession, money and opportunities may flow differently than in times of economic prosperity and expansion in the economy. Operating on the premise that God loves us all, I gave thought to non-economic solutions in a bad economic situation. I also gave thought to economic tools that were perhaps undervalued. Perspective is important as we address our individual and collective challenges in today's world. Hopefully, *Get Free for Free* will be easy reading that will inspire thought and discussion to help us live with joy amidst challenges. With one side of the political aisle proposing increasingly more socialistic and anti-capitalistic ideas, the other side has been quick to defend our country's great economic model, with good reason. Capitalism--spanning a spectrum from *laissez faire* to authoritarian--shapes the market economies of all the wealthiest and fastest-growing nations. But does that mean it is perfect as is, and that we would not all benefit from an honest evaluation and reconstruction of the free market system that has shaped our country's way of economic growth?The

truth is, trouble is cracking capitalism's shiny veneer. In the US, Europe, and Japan, economic growth has slowed down. Wealth is concentrated in the hands of a few; natural resources are exploited for short-term profit; and good jobs are hard to find. In *Confronting Capitalism*, business expert Philip Kotler explains 14 major problems undermining capitalism, including: • Persistent and increasing poverty • Automation's effects on job creation • High debt burdens • Steep environmental costs • Boom-bust economic cycles • And more But this landmark book does not stop with merely revealing the problems. It also delivers a heartening message: We can turn things around! Movements toward shared prosperity and a higher purpose are reinvigorating companies large and small, while proposals abound on government policies that offer protections without stagnation. Kotler identifies the best ideas, linking private and public initiatives into a force for positive change, and offers suggestions for returning to a healthier, more sustainable capitalism that works for all. New insights for investors and business people looking to create wealth in the turbulent post-crisis world In a no holds barred expose of the 2008 financial meltdown from the inside, Ziad K. Abdelnour argues that the political and financial elites have done nothing to fix the structural problems and instead have worsened the situation. By creating more market bubbles, they are actually waging a war on the most productive members of society. For investors, business people, and entrepreneurs that need to navigate the troubled geopolitical waters of the post-crisis world, Abdelnour offers several solutions, including looking at the world anew and understanding that the federal government's primary objective is to promote the creation of an environment conducive to the creation of wealth not job creation, not bailouts, not subsidies, not expansion of the federal bureaucracy, and not providing lifetime support to those who choose not to take advantage of the innumerable opportunities that exist in this nation for them to create a better, more productive life for themselves. Written for investors that need to navigate the troubled geopolitical waters of the post-crisis world • Offers "out of the box" investment tactics and strategies to outsmart the system • Describes political and business solutions that anyone can engage in to restore freedom and prosperity The author is President and CEO of Blackhawk Partners, Inc., a private family office that has two major lines of business, private equity investments and advisory services, and physical commodities trading Compelling and persuasive, *Economic Warfare* reveals that wealth can be created in the new, post-crisis world, but investors need to understand that the rules of the game have changed. The economic theories that dominated the field during the 20th century have failed us and empowered government to believe they can manipulate the business cycle. Every economic theory presented post-Marxism has assumed that the complexity of the business cycle can be reduced to a single cause and effect. To date, no attempt to manipulate the cycle has prevented a recession or financial crisis. We now face a truly monumental crisis. Central banks around the world are trapped. Their attempt to stimulate the economy through Quantitative Easing and rate manipulation has disastrously failed. The central banks have

primarily purchased government debt, effectively keeping governments on life support by allowing them to issue new debt at substantially lower rates. In addition to catastrophic Quantitative Easing policies, political fiscal spending on various programs and agencies has burdened governments with a debt that they can never repay. The future crisis is one created by government. This time, we are not likely to fix the problem without major political reform, which all governments will resist. These policies have led many to assume that government can freely create money without inflation. After creating trillions of dollars to buy government debt with no appreciable inflation, many conclude that everything has changed. They are calling this the Modern Monetary Theory. If they are correct, then why bother to have taxes or borrow money continuously with no intention of paying off national debts? Governments, in modern theory, can simply create an endless supply of money to create a new modern version of Utopia. Can we throw away all economic history for an experiment that could unravel civilization if the theory proves to be wrong? What are the risks? Can it really be that easy? Are there any examples from the past that we can look to for answers? Based on research presented at The Harvard Business School's first-ever conference on business approaches to poverty alleviation, *Business Solutions for the Global Poor* brings together perspectives from leading academics and corporate, non-profit and public sector managers. The contributors draw on practical and dynamic how-to insights from leading BOP ventures from more than twenty countries world-wide. This important volume reflects poverty's multi-faceted nature and a broad range of actors—multinational and local businesses, entrepreneurs, civil society organizations and governments—that play a role in its alleviation. This book contributes to the applied regional economic literature by providing a framework for handling a diverse set of projects and providing detailed case studies of fieldwork regarding the health care industry, higher education institutions, the nonprofit sector, infrastructure investment, and a major musical entertainment event. • New York Times bestseller • The 100 most substantive solutions to reverse global warming, based on meticulous research by leading scientists and policymakers around the world “At this point in time, the *Drawdown* book is exactly what is needed; a credible, conservative solution-by-solution narrative that we can do it. Reading it is an effective inoculation against the widespread perception of doom that humanity cannot and will not solve the climate crisis. Reported by-effects include increased determination and a sense of grounded hope.” —Per Espen Stoknes, Author, *What We Think About When We Try Not To Think About Global Warming* “There's been no real way for ordinary people to get an understanding of what they can do and what impact it can have. There remains no single, comprehensive, reliable compendium of carbon-reduction solutions across sectors. At least until now. . . . The public is hungry for this kind of practical wisdom.” —David Roberts, *Vox* “This is the ideal environmental sciences textbook—only it is too interesting and inspiring to be called a textbook.” —Peter Kareiva, Director of the Institute of the Environment and Sustainability, UCLA In the face of

widespread fear and apathy, an international coalition of researchers, professionals, and scientists have come together to offer a set of realistic and bold solutions to climate change. One hundred techniques and practices are described here—some are well known; some you may have never heard of. They range from clean energy to educating girls in lower-income countries to land use practices that pull carbon out of the air. The solutions exist, are economically viable, and communities throughout the world are currently enacting them with skill and determination. If deployed collectively on a global scale over the next thirty years, they represent a credible path forward, not just to slow the earth's warming but to reach drawdown, that point in time when greenhouse gases in the atmosphere peak and begin to decline. These measures promise cascading benefits to human health, security, prosperity, and well-being—giving us every reason to see this planetary crisis as an opportunity to create a just and livable world. In our changing world, society demands more comprehensive and thoughtful solutions from environmental engineers, environmental consultants and scientists dealing with the degradation of our environment. Lead by Nelson Nemerow and Franklin Agardy, experts in business, academia, government and practice have been brought together in *Environmental Solutions* to provide guidance for these environmental professionals. The reader is presented with a variety of solutions to common and not so common environmental problems which lay the groundwork for environmental advocates to decide which solutions will work best for their particular circumstances. This book discusses chemical, biological, physical, forensic, medical, international, economic, political, industrial-collaborative solutions and solutions for rural and developing countries giving readers the freedom to evaluate a variety of options and make informed decisions. End of chapter questions and additional resources are included making this an invaluable teaching tool and ideal reference for those currently involved in improving and preserving our environment. Contributions by international experts in government, industry, and academia. Editors are recognized as the editors of *Environmental Engineering*, the best selling title published by John Wiley. The first action-oriented book for environmental engineers. Climate change threatens the economy of the United States in myriad ways, including increased flooding and storm damage, altered crop yields, lost labor productivity, higher crime, reshaped public-health patterns, and strained energy systems, among many other effects. Combining the latest climate models, state-of-the-art econometric research on human responses to climate, and cutting-edge private-sector risk-assessment tools, *Economic Risks of Climate Change: An American Prospectus* crafts a game-changing profile of the economic risks of climate change in the United States. This prospectus is based on a critically acclaimed independent assessment of the economic risks posed by climate change commissioned by the Risky Business Project. With new contributions from Karen Fisher-Vanden, Michael Greenstone, Geoffrey Heal, Michael Oppenheimer, and Nicholas Stern and Bob Ward, as well as a foreword from Risky Business cochairs Michael Bloomberg, Henry Paulson, and Thomas Steyer, the book speaks to

scientists, researchers, scholars, activists, and policy makers. It depicts the distribution of escalating climate-change risk across the country and assesses its effects on aspects of the economy as varied as hurricane damages and violent crime. Beautifully illustrated and accessibly written, this book is an essential tool for helping businesses and governments prepare for the future. In a past of abundance, we had clean water to meet our demands for showers, pools, farms and rivers. Our laws and customs did not need to regulate or ration demand. Over time, our demand has grown, and scarcity has replaced abundance. We don't have as much clean water as we want. We can respond to the end of abundance with old ideas or adopt new tools specifically designed to address water scarcity. In this book, David Zetland describes the impact of scarcity on our many water uses, how the institutions of abundance fail in scarcity, and how economic ideas and tools can help us direct water to its highest and best use. Written for non-academic readers, *The End of Abundance* provides examples, insights and ideas to anyone interested in the management of our most precious resource. A call for the Left and Right -- the business community and environmentalists, bankers and activists -- to join together, reclaim capitalism, and force profits to align with the planet. A warming climate and a general distrust of Wall Street has opened a new cultural divide among those who otherwise agree we must mitigate climate risk: anti-market critics such as Naomi Klein target capitalism itself as a root cause of climate change while climate-savvy business leaders believe we can largely continue with business as usual by tinkering around the edges of our economic system. Rand argues that both sides in this emerging cultural war are ill-equipped to provide solutions to the climate crisis, and each is remarkably naïve in their view of capitalism. On one hand, we cannot possibly transition off fossil fuels without the financial might and entrepreneurial talent market forces alone can unlock. On the other, without radical changes to the way markets operate, capitalism will take us right off the climate cliff. Rejecting the old Left/Right ideologies, Rand develops a more pragmatic view capable of delivering practical solutions to this critical problem. A renewed capitalism harnessed to the task is the only way we might replace fossil fuels fast enough to mitigate severe climate risk. If we leave our dogma at the door, Rand argues, we might just build an economy that survives the century. A sensible solution to getting our economy back on track. Pessimism is ubiquitous throughout the Western World as the pressing issues of massive debt, high unemployment, and anemic economic growth divide the populace into warring political camps. Right-and Left-wing ideologues talk past each other, with neither side admitting the other has any good ideas. In *American Gridlock*, leading economist and political theorist H. Woody Brock bridges the Left/Right divide, illuminating a clear path out of our economic quagmire. Arguing from first principles and with rigorous logic, Brock demonstrates that the choice before us is not between free market capitalism and a government-driven economy. Rather, the solution to our problems will require enactment of constructive policies that allow "true" capitalism to flourish even as they incorporate social policies that help those who truly need it.

Brock demonstrates how deductive logic (as opposed to ideologically driven data analysis) can transform the way we think about these problems and lead us to new and different solutions that cross the ideological divide. Drawing on new theories such as game theory and the economics of uncertainty that are based upon deductive logic, Brock reveals fresh ideas for tackling issues central to the 2012 U.S. Presidential election and to the nation's long-run future: Demonstrating that the concept of a government "deficit" is highly problematic since it blinds us to the distinction between a good deficit and a bad deficit - where a deficit is good if it results from borrowing dedicated to productive investment rather than to unproductive spending. Deriving the need for a U.S. Marshall Plan dedicated to very high levels of profitable infrastructure spending as the solution to today's Lost Decade of high unemployment. Drawing upon a logical extension of the Law of Supply and Demand to demonstrate how the health-care spending crisis can be completely resolved by letting supply increase at a faster rate than demand. Utilizing the theory of bargaining inaugurated by the "Beautiful Mind" mathematician John F. Nash, Jr., to help us avoid being repeatedly duped in our negotiations with China. Making use of a completely new theory of market risk recently developed at Stanford University to demonstrate why dramatically limiting leverage is the key reform to preventing future Perfect Storms, whereas hoping to banish "greed" amounts to whistling Dixie. Deducing from first principles a solution to the contentious issue of fair shares of the economic pie, a solution that integrates the two fundamental norms of "to each according to his contribution" and "to each according to his need." Profound, timely and important, *American Gridlock* cuts through the stale biases of the Right and Left, advances new ways of thinking, and provides creative solutions to the problems that threaten American society. Our economy has spiralled out of control with too much focus on the quantity of production. The way to reduce this wasteful overproduction of goods and services is to increase their quality. In this groundbreaking book, industrial designer Herb Bentz explains how to fix the economy and break the environment versus economy deadlock. Bentz tells us how the use of good design can improve the quality of what we produce and how a beneficial growth in quality can substitute for the destructive increase in quantity. Tying together many diverse aspects of the economy--economic growth, unemployment, the welfare state, and the need to ration--*Rationing Earth* provides a critical analysis and a way forward at this crucial moment. Despite high wealth in rich countries, there is still poverty and inadequate funding for social programs. This unjustified austerity has resulted in a persistence of economic insecurity, the proliferation of poor quality products, and inadequate action on environmental problems. Bentz provides an economic solution from a designer's perspective. By using elements of design thinking to achieve an overarching synthesis of the world's challenging problems, including effectiveness of government, the opposing demands of capital and labour, positive and negative effects of technology, and the absolute boundaries of a finite earth, he presents practical solutions to the conflicting needs for economic

growth, full employment, and reduced consumption. In each of these areas, Rationing Earth addresses the toughest questions: How will we adapt to less economic growth? How do we solve unemployment? What is the proper role of government? And how can we create an economy that effectively rations scarce resources without reducing prosperity? Bentz blends an entertaining style with a concise but broad analysis that is provocative, informative, and pertinent to anyone interested in economic change that has a positive impact on the environment. This text seeks to raise the curtain on competitive pricing strategies and asserts that businesses often miss their best opportunity for providing consumers with what they want - an experience. It presents a strategy for companies to script and stage the experiences provided by their products. "A landmark work . . . I was relieved to see that there is a good and reasonable solution to the ruinous policies of unbridled new development." —Mark Stewart, CEO, iAccess Communications

The Restoration Economy reveals the previously undocumented trillion-dollar global industries that are restoring our natural and manmade environments. Restorative development is rapidly overtaking new development because we are running out of things to develop. Most natural areas are already either farmed or degraded, and cities have built all the way to their borders. However, there is no lack of things to redevelop and restore. Storm Cunningham surveys the wide range of restoration industries and points out the connections among them. He shows, for example, how the restoration of a river ecosystem can have a major impact on the commercial success of a redeveloped historic urban waterfront. Written for a broad range of audiences, The Restoration Economy is an entertaining blend of business, science, and economics that details exciting new business and investment opportunities in this dynamic economic sector. "Any companies or consultants looking for new markets must read The Restoration Economy!" —Pamela J. Gordon, CMC, President, Technology Forecasters, Inc. "The Restoration Economy is required reading here at Weston Solutions. It has been indispensable in helping us refocus our strategy." —Bill Robertson, Chairman, Weston Solutions "The Restoration Economy is without a doubt the most important and valuable business book I have read in many years." —Don Pross, Urban Revitalization Planner "This book is an original, a first! I profited from it greatly, and I quote from it in my speeches." —William H. Hudnut III, Former Four-Term Mayor of Indianapolis

When Robin Chase cofounded Zipcar, she not only started a business but established the foundation for one of the most important economic and social ideas of our time: the collaborative economy. With this important book, she broadens our thinking about the ways in which the economy is being transformed and shows how the Peers Inc model is changing the very nature of capitalism. When the best of people power is combined with the best of corporate power to form "Peers Inc" organizations, a potent creative force is released. The "Inc" in these collaborations delivers the industrial strengths of significant scale and resources, and the "Peers" bring together the individual strengths of localization, specialization, and customization, unlocking the power of the collaborative economy. When excess

capacity is harnessed by the platform and diverse peers participate, a completely new dynamic is unleashed. In Peers Inc, Robin Chase brings her provocative insights to work, business, the economy, and the environment, showing:

- How focusing on excess capacity transforms the economics of what's possible and delivers abundance to all
- How the new collaboration between the Inc and the Peers enables companies to grow more quickly, learn faster, and deliver smarter products and services
- How leveraging the Peers Inc model can address climate change with the necessary speed and scale
- How the Peers Inc model can help legacy companies overcome their shortening life cycle by inviting innovation and evolution
- Why power parity between the Peers and the Inc is a prerequisite for long-term success
- How platforms can be built within the existing financial system or outside of it
- What government can do to enhance economic possibility and protect people working in this new decentralized world

Chase casts a wide net, illuminating the potential of the Peers Inc model to address broader issues such as climate change and income inequality, and proves the impact that this innovative economic force can have on the most pressing issues of our time. An inside look at what makes a successful financial services company Irv Rothman may not have considered a career in the financial services early on, but he ended up in leadership positions at AT&T, Compaq and, for over a decade, Hewlett-Packard. His consistent record of success and insider perspective make him the perfect guide to the art of building and growing a financial services company, and in Out-Executing the Competition he shares his remarkable story and years of experience, giving readers a glimpse into his numerous accomplishments and providing takeaways they can apply to their own companies, whatever the industry. An engaging and lively account of Rothman's career focusing on his work at financial services companies during some of the most economically challenging periods of the past thirty years, the book explores the methods and tactics he used to help his companies not only weather financial uncertainty, but to thrive. Tells the story of financial services company expert Irv Rothman, in his own words Includes invaluable insights into how to build a financial services company that can survive and thrive in even the toughest economic climate Helps readers working at financial services companies and in other industries to construct solid businesses that can outperform their competition Part biography, part how-to guide, Out-Executing the Competition is the ultimate inside look at building a financial services company that's sure to succeed. Fundamentals of Engineering Economic Analysis offers a powerful, visually-rich approach to the subject—delivering streamlined yet rigorous coverage of the use of economic analysis techniques in engineering design. This award-winning textbook provides an impressive array of pedagogical tools to maximize student engagement and comprehension, including learning objectives, key term definitions, comprehensive case studies, classroom discussion questions, and challenging practice problems. Clear, topically—organized chapters guide students from fundamental concepts of borrowing, lending, investing, and time value of money, to more complex topics such as capitalized and future worth, external

rate of return, depreciation, and after-tax economic analysis. This fully-updated second edition features substantial new and revised content that has been thoroughly re-designed to support different learning and teaching styles. Numerous real-world vignettes demonstrate how students will use economics as practicing engineers, while plentiful illustrations, such as cash flow diagrams, reinforce student understanding of underlying concepts. Extensive digital resources now provide an immersive interactive learning environment, enabling students to use integrated tools such as Excel. The addition of the WileyPLUS platform provides tutorials, videos, animations, a complete library of Excel video lessons, and much more. Could Wal-Mart offer a better solution to healthcare than Medicaid? Could GE help reduce global warming faster than the Kyoto protocol? Social Innovation, Inc. declares a new era where companies profit from social change. Leading corporations like GE, Wellpoint, Travelers and Wal-Mart are transforming social responsibility into social innovation and revolutionizing the way we think about the role of business in society. Based on four years of measuring the social strategies of America's leading corporations, Jason Saul lays out the five strategies for social innovation and offers a practical roadmap for how to get started. Explains the fundamental shift in the role of business in society, from social contract to social capital market Identifies the 5 social innovation strategies: submarket products and services, social points of entry, pipeline talent, reverse lobbying, and emotive customer bonding Offers step-by-step guidance for creating economic value through positive social change Social Innovation, Inc. is about making social change work for the business, and in turn staying relevant in the new economy. In the face of constant change, the nature of business must evolve rapidly if it is to remain relevant to society at large. How then should business change to meet the requirements of the 21st century, in which unbridled globalization and technological advancements are having profound affects on the wellbeing and prosperity of both the people and the planet? The achievement of purpose is the key to successful transformation - not just having a purpose, but making that purpose real at every level of the organization. This is the first book to provide a precise description of how companies can put purpose into practice. Based on a groundbreaking research project undertaken jointly between the Saïd Business School at the University of Oxford and Mars Catalyst, the think tank of Mars Inc., it provides a highly accessible account of how companies should determine and implement their corporate purposes. It outlines why corporate purpose is so important and how it can both address the major challenges the world faces today and deliver enhanced performance for business. Fourteen detailed case studies illustrate how companies of different sizes, sectors, and geographies have put purpose into practice and their experiences of doing so. These cases give deep insights into the way in which companies can build purposeful businesses, map and shape their ecosystems, identify failures and problems, align management, and create partnerships to deliver their purposes against which they can measure their performance. The achievement of purpose is a very real issue that

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