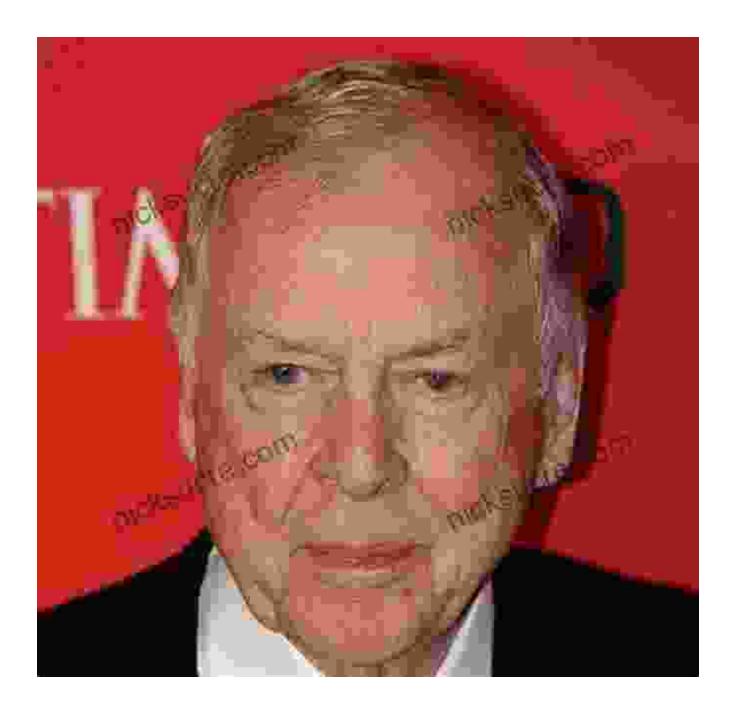
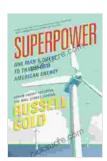
One Man's Quest to Transform American Energy: T. Boone Pickens' Plan to Power the Future with Wind



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energy independent by investing in wind power. Pickens has pledged to invest \$10 billion of his own money in wind farms over the next decade. He is also lobbying Congress to pass legislation that would provide tax incentives for wind energy development.



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Pickens' Background

Pickens was born in Holdenville, Oklahoma, in 1928. He dropped out of high school to join the Air Force, but he was later discharged after being diagnosed with a heart murmur. Pickens then enrolled at Oklahoma State University, where he earned a degree in geology.

After graduating from college, Pickens worked as a geologist for Phillips Petroleum. In 1956, he founded his own oil company, Mesa Petroleum. Pickens quickly became one of the most successful oilmen in the world. He was known for his aggressive tactics and his ability to make big deals.

In the 1980s, Pickens began to invest in wind energy. He believed that wind power could be a major source of energy for the United States. In 2008, Pickens announced his plan to invest \$10 billion in wind farms over the next decade.

Pickens' Plan

Pickens' plan is to build a network of wind farms across the United States. He believes that wind power can provide up to 20% of the nation's electricity needs by 2030. Pickens has pledged to invest \$10 billion of his own money in wind farms, and he is also lobbying Congress to pass legislation that would provide tax incentives for wind energy development.

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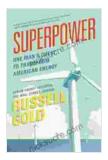
Challenges

Pickens' plan faces a number of challenges. One challenge is the intermittent nature of wind power. The wind does not always blow, so wind farms cannot always generate electricity when needed. This challenge can be overcome by storing wind energy in batteries or by using other forms of renewable energy, such as solar power, to supplement wind power.

Another challenge is the cost of wind farms. Wind farms can be expensive to build, and the cost of wind power can vary depending on the location of the wind farm. However, the cost of wind power is declining as technology improves.

Finally, Pickens' plan faces political challenges. Some people believe that wind farms are unsightly and that they can harm wildlife. Others believe that wind power is not a reliable source of energy. However, Pickens is confident that he can overcome these challenges and make his plan a success.

T. Boone Pickens is a visionary leader who is committed to transforming American energy. His plan to invest \$10 billion in wind farms over the next decade is ambitious, but it is also realistic. If Pickens' plan is successful, it would have a major impact on the American energy landscape. Wind power could provide a clean, renewable source of energy that would help to reduce our dependence on foreign oil. It would also create jobs and boost the economy.



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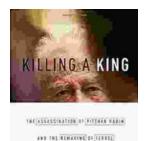
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