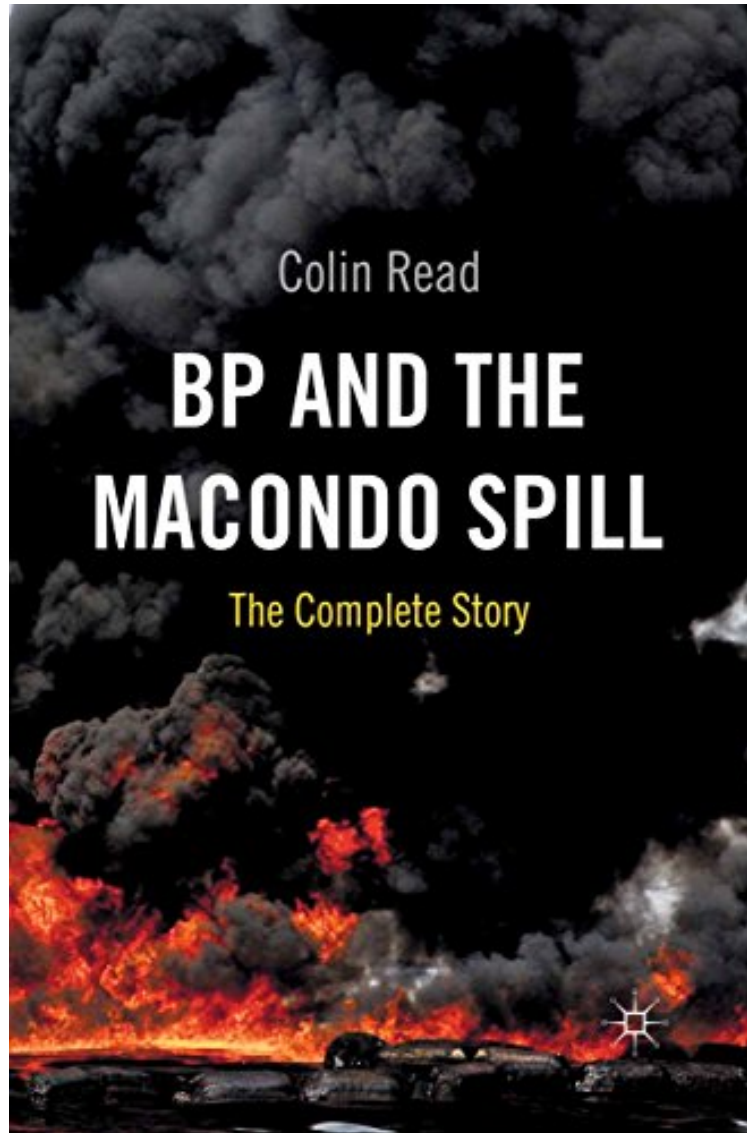


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0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Boring, pretentious pedagogy By Eddie Russell I held high hopes for this book. I am extremely interested in all things related to oil and energy. This promised to be a great read. Except it isn't. The author makes pretense to deal with the subject matter owing to his MBA, JD and some other irrelevant degree that he is not shy about touting. But he really has no background in this subject matter to deal with it in a manner to elucidate and explain in a writerly fashion. So what he does is he immerses himself in the intricacies of the

formation of oil, the foundation of refining etc. etc. and bores the poor reader with ad infinitum details that don't really tell the story. The reader is not looking to become a chemist or a refining expert, he is looking to learn about what happened in Macondo and what went wrong with offshore exploration. By page 20 I was utterly bored, confused and frustrated by this book. Luckily the cover and book were in pristine condition and I had the receipt, so it went back to the store and instead I got two great reads: *The Way Inn* and *The Senator's Wife*. I am already right into *The Way Inn* and I know I am going to thoroughly enjoy *The Senator's Wife*. What often happens with books on oil and such subjects is academics with little or no writing skills attempting to deliver a story but end up delivering a dense text that belongs in the slush pile of boring conference papers that no body bothers reading. This is a prime example of that.

The complete story of the devastating BP oil spill of 2010. The author puts forward an objective account of what happened, a documentation of the true costs, not the hyperbolic costs, and an explanation of the science and business of the spill and its remediation.