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8th volume in the Techno-thriller series by Breakfield and Burkey investigates manipulation of the commodity market

Who is managing the guardrails for commodity pricing?

Dallas, Texas October 26, 2016 – *The Enigma Broker* returns readers to another thrilling problem faced by the R-Group. The commodities market seems to be deviating a bit more from just OPEC controlling oil or coal exchange for alternate energy sources. Are the prices impacted by new entrants to the commodities market or simply a new application of a predatory pricing model? What if the computer, the weapon of choice for evil, is driving the direction of world markets down?

Today rises and falls of prices occur in the various global stock and commodity markets often resulting in buying and selling frenzies. Many brokers today do not perform investment research, nor do they conserve, reuse, or govern usage. Technology and its misapplication can take a stock or trade from a hopeful investment to an endless money pit. It has the potential to cause significant shifts in how investors and the general public respond to technology adoption.

Increasingly events occur or do not occur based not on what a broker's analyst advises, but on the trends in social media. Breakfield and Burkey tap into this bludgeoning social phenomena and add elements into the ever-growing technological capabilities to paint an intriguing story of cyber terrorism. It is a reminder to not always take things at face value in this world of Big Data, as it can be manipulated to suit the gatherer.

"This story started with our observation of the stock market and how simple things like presidential elections appear to impact it," offered author Burkey. "Then we looked at the increasing use of energy alternatives, the oil, coal, and copper markets and wondered how else these could be controlled or manipulated," said author Breakfield. "We are also seeing commentary in social media taken totally out of context. Keep in mind there are 2.3 billion active social media users with an average of 5.5 social media accounts and constantly increasing," said author Burkey. *The Enigma Brokers* (Create Space Independent Publishing Platform, 2016, **ISBN-13:** 978-1537791685, 13.95, <http://enigmabookseries.com/book-eight-the-enigma-broker/>).

Breakfield and Burkey have spent the majority of their professional careers in the technology field. They have written two previous technology non-fictions books and numerous white papers with a technology freshness factor of months. They are now hooked on fiction with their Enigma Book Series, where they bring a fresh look at technology, woven into a story that adds depth to how we are embracing technology in this world. *The Enigma Broker* will have you checking your portfolio trying to find how to de-risk your investment strategies. Find the sample chapters, a place to ask questions, places to purchase, reviews, a book trailer, and other interesting details regarding the series and where it can take you at <http://enigmabookseries.com/book-eight-the-enigma-broker/>. "We explore the possible with

what we see around us every day. The sound-byte of the day is a great source of inspiration,” added author Breakfield.

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About Breakfield and Burkey:

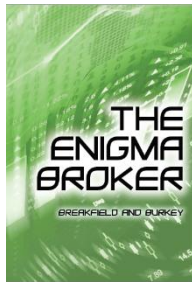


Breakfield is a long-time technology geek who enjoys writing, studying World War II history, travel, and cultural exchanges. He’s also a fan of wine-tastings, wine-making, riding his Harley, cooking extravaganzas, and continues developing his woodworking skills.

Burkey is a customer-experience technology-focused professional who has a writing passion. She has written white papers and technology documents but prefers the freedom of fictional writing. She is a fan of learning, travel, family, outdoor activities, good food, wine sampling, reading, and friends.

They love telling a good story framed with the possibilities of today’s technology and humor. They believe that ‘**Tech·nol·o·gy (tek’näləjē) – Today’s weapon of choice....**’ Find them on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/TheEnigmaSeries/>

About this Book:



The steep drop in the markets for oil, copper, coal, and other commodities threatens to destabilize nations and bring them to the verge of economic collapse. Amid fears that further drops in value could devastate civilization, the R-Group quietly engages.

The R-Group was formed during World War II. After delivering the Enigma machine to the British they used their copy of the device to safeguard wealth and property from the Nazis. Today they use information-gathering and security capabilities to protect us from cyber-attack.

Jacob and Petra begin investigating the free fall in oil prices and soon discover disturbing clues that may implicate a “dark matter organization” —a shady organization that leaves no digital footprint behind. Meanwhile, ICABOD, the group’s supercomputer, teams up with government investigators to identify potential suspects. Quip and EZ also apply their special talents assiduously to the case but don’t let their work interfere with their blossoming relationship.

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For a review copy of *The Enigma Gamers* or an interview with Breakfield and Burkey, please contact Breakfield or Burkey at (214) 707-8035 or seriesenigma@gmail.com. When requesting a review copy, please provide your name and street address.