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**PUSH BACK** the second book of *THE DISRUPTION SERIES* is now available.

Earth reels in the aftermath of a savage solar storm, a global disaster of unprecedented proportion which leaves most of the world without electrical power or the means to restore it. Across the world, the responses of unprepared national governments' are too little, too late. In the U.S., order collapses and opportunistic forces rise to fill the power vacuum, as what remains of a self-serving federal bureaucracy prioritizes the survival of politicians and bureaucrats over that of the general population.

As chaos and starvation spread, isolated pockets of survivors unite to survive. In Texas, Captain Jordan Hughes and a ragtag group of seamen and ex-Coastguardsmen gather their families close and resist the depredations of a hoard of escaped convicts. Meanwhile, in North Carolina, a similarly determined group of survivors attempts to use salvaged resources, not only to save themselves, but also to feed the hungry.

But not everyone is happy about the efforts of the valiant and resourceful few. Secure in his Camp David compound, a corrupt president consolidates power and builds a mercenary force to deal with any possible challenges to his absolute authority and to seize all dwindling resources for 'government use and fair distribution.'

Survivors of the natural disaster are thus dealt another blow as they're betrayed by the very government established to protect them. Do they knuckle under to a dictator, or do they *PUSH BACK*?

## Push Back Details

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## **From Reader Review Push Back for online ebook**

### **Con Brennan says**

Couldn't wait after reading the first book. I immediately went to the kindle store to start the second book and am now aggregated to find the third not out yet! Can't wait! Great stories with numerous intertwined plotlines.

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### **Ted Harwood says**

A solid follow-up to the first book in the trilogy. I enjoyed the continuing developments of the characters and situations. I thought that the portrayal of the government during the crisis was a good addition, which is usually missing from these kinds of stories. Initially, wasn't convinced that the leadership would act as they did but after some consideration, it may not be that much of a stretch considering modern realities. I look forward to the conclusion of the series.

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### **Matthew says**

The 2nd in the Disruption series, this book continues the story well enough.

It's not spectacular, but it is done well enough.

I enjoyed it, and I look forward to the third and final installment.

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### **rester725 says**

#### **DISRUPTION SERIES:PUSH BACK**

Very realistic plot & very BELIEVABLE character development. Thoroughly enjoyed this series & can't wait for final book in DIRUPTION SERIES to come o

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### **Ross says**

Enjoyed this, but it wasn't nearly as compelling as the first in the series. I'll probably complete the trilogy, but I'm really hoping for a more interesting finish than the mid-part.

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### **BookLoversLife says**

Having really enjoyed book 1 of this, I was so looking forward to listening to this one. Well the author didn't disappoint!! This one was much better than the first and even though it was over 13 hrs long, I devoured it in a day.

This starts straight after the ending of book 1 so the story flows really well and we are immediately drawn into the story. I absolutely loved seeing the characters again and seeing them grow and develop. Their lives don't get any easier and their struggle to survive, not only the lack of essentials, but also the gangs, gets so much harder. Plus they end up meeting others and some of their groups grow. The overall plot is complex and engaging. The author has put layers in place and is slowly starting to unravel them and we are finally seeing glimpses of where it's going.

This was so much better than the first and had much more action, plot development and intrigue and I can not wait to see where the characters and plot leads us! It's a series that I have no problem in recommending and one that I know I will re-read.

Kevin Pierce seems to be the go to narrator for books of this type and it's easy to see why. He is easy to listen to and knows how to tell a great story. He is always clear and concise and has a range of tones and cadences that bring the story to life.

\*I received a free copy of this but voluntarily reviewed it. This in no way affected nor influenced my thoughts.\*

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### **Chris Parks says**

Very fast read-start with under a tell tale sky. Good characters, great continuing story with multiple story branches that reconnect here and there but also stand alone. There is sea ship/coast guard component to the story that is a different angle on emp fiction and makes it uniquely interesting. The story is legitimized by the authors sea background with out being over done. Probably this series and one second after are the 2 best I have ever read. I wish there were more.

This is definitely worth your time.

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This is a stand alone review-I paid for all the books. Its just a good enough series for me to write a review

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### **Debbie says**

#### **Much Better Than Book 1**

Had considered not reading anymore after so much cursing in Book 1. I found that I had started to really care about the diverse characters in each location. Plot seemed better focused and the book was much more interesting. Looking forward to reading Book 3.

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### **Bradley West says**

There's a lot to like in *Push Back* for fans of real-life thrillers. The action is non-stop on several fronts, the overall premise remains (too) plausible, and the characters likable. Like many people with Kindles, I have a library littered with books abandoned from 2% to 75% completed. No such problem here: I bulled through *Push Back* in a week, staying up past my bedtime a couple of times.

However, I didn't find installment #2 as strong as its predecessor, *Under a Tell-Tale Sky* which does a better job of integrating the various plot lines. Some books in a series you can read in any order, but this is not one of them: start at the beginning. These books contain many characters and lots going on in parallel, but the storylines are easy to follow and the action is relentless. I highly recommend McDermott's first two books and eagerly await the finale, *Promises to Keep*, as there are a lot of loose ends that I'm sure will be imaginatively tied up.

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### **Jillian Pearl says**

#### **An exciting read.**

Surprises and twists all the way through. The story pushes you along. What would I do if this really happened?

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### **Pam Shelton-Anderson says**

This is a good second book of this series. Lots of action and progress on the various story lines. Even though it is clear all of the story lines will eventually converge on Wilmington, there are almost too many different parts going on at the same time. I do look forward to the next book.

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### **Johnny says**

#### **Decent**

Good story with likable characters.

Good guys don't always have everything just magically go there way. I can picture the hard work and planning they do to get were they are. I can also feel their pain when they work so hard, and get they loose a loved one.

Grab a copy if you like disaster books.

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### **Tulay says**

## **Interesting.**

Could this happen one day? We can't prevent natural disasters, but we can prevent man made disasters. First by getting involved in our city level, not just by casting our vote maybe every four years. Also not being dependent on somebody else growing what we need to eat. This story shows that without electronic devices we can fix what is broken. FEMA in this story reminded me hurricane and Louisiana, not long ago. Hope this story won't make NRA's membership grow. There are lots of good people around to fight with the evil.

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## **David Titcombe says**

### **McDermott Does it Again**

Although this is book no 2 of a series McDermott keeps you on the edge of your seat, my only slight regret is the length of time we had to wait from Book 1 to publication of book 2 hope book 3 is well on the way as am in need of knowing whether the gangs win, the corrupt President wins, the rogue army wins, or, the good people who are trying to stay safe whilst protecting and keeping others safe.

Although the story is based in 2020 after solar flares knocks out most of the Northern hemisphere, the real inner story is about greed of a few and survival of others. It's a story of life, although based in the U.S. it is about how people react, how their inner selves change in times of stress, change and the need to keep alive. As always McDermott conveys the story extremely well changing from one caricature to another and so on, but, keeps the reader interested to the point of not being able to put the book down.

I eagerly await the final book (if McDermott keeps to his original plan) to see whether good or evil win, in most cases of all of McDermott's books good defeats evil but in this case who knows.

Other R.E.McDermott books to watch out for is his books on Dugan, next one long overdue!

If you like thrillers then give this series a read, in fact give all of R.E.McDermott books a try, housing be disappointed.

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## **Walter T. Mara says**

### **Hard to review**

I did not enjoy this book quite as much as the first one. I thought it dragged in some places.

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