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The Tesla Testament

A Thriller
by Eugene Ciurana

San Francisco, CA, April 10 2006 — Engineering genius Nikola Tesla invented an energy transmission device at the beginning of the 20th century capable of zapping distant points of the Earth with megaton-sized blasts of electricity. The FBI confiscated the plans upon his death in 1943. Today, the most sinister organization in history has stolen the plans to rebuild it, and may succeed in making it operational since few believe that a fanciful machine based on 100-year-old technology poses danger. Will the bad guys finish the device to use it for political blackmail and to annihilate millions?

What follows is the story of how Francis and Varenka, a former undercover agent and a brilliant engineer, obtain and decipher Tesla's blueprints and then race across two continents to stop the Rebirth Alliance from making this device operational. The story blurs facts and fiction by mixing details about Tesla's life and known inventions with a high concept plot in a contemporary setting. Will Francis and the beautiful doctor Varenka succeed?

The Tesla Testament offers a fast-paced plot aimed at pleasing the speculative fiction fans of Michael Crichton and Dan Brown, mixed with a healthy dose of the grittiness found in the Robert Ludlum, Christopher Reich and Ian Fleming stories. Part technothriller, part espionage, part historical chronicle, *The Tesla Testament* is an alternative to the flood of religion-themed books riding the coattails of a successful thriller involving Da Vinci's art.

Promotional signed copies of the book will be available at BookExpo America 2006, Washington DC Conference Center, in two sessions:

- Traditional autograph signing session: Friday, May 19, 03:30 - 04:00 pm, table 31, second floor Exhibit Hall
- In-booth autograph signing session: Sunday, May 21, 11:00 am - 12:00 pm, booth 947, Exhibit Hall

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With over 65% of holiday book sales taking place over the Internet, *The Tesla Testament* will be available primarily through on-line retailers like Walmart.com, Amazon.com, and bn.com. A tour featuring book signings and readings at independent bookstores in ten major US and Canadian markets is scheduled for early November 2006.

Eugene Ciurana is a contemporary fiction writer. Eugene's diverse international technology career has allowed him to travel and work in several countries. His first-hand knowledge of specialized military technologies enriches his high-concept, adrenaline-pumping plots. Eugene has published over 50 feature articles in several magazines in the US, Mexico, and Europe, and he's the author of the most popular sushi etiquette guide in the world (Google: how to eat sushi).

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