

An Energy Story

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It was a bright, sunny day three years ago in the bustling city of New York - a perfect day to go diving and explore the vast wonders of the ocean. Jon Moxley puts on his very tight wetsuit and makes his way out into the ocean, but not too far from the shore. He also brings along with him an oxygen tank because he didn't know how long he would be in the water for.

Diving in he sees the unseen beauty of the world, the blue water, the diversity of the marine life and much more. As he continues on going deeper and deeper, things don't start to go his way. Suddenly, he loses control of where he is going and is swept away in a powerful current. Jon's anxiety levels rise and he starts to suck in more oxygen than he should. He is travelling at speeds of about 40-60 km/h with no control all while trying to figure out the answer to one question; will he make it out alive?

As Jon continues being swept away, he sees a large shipwreck that appears to be on the path of the current. It seems to be stable so he is going to try to grab it and hold on for his life. Jon inches closer and closer to the shipwreck. He only has one chance to escape and if he fails, he will have to come to terms with an imminent death which he can't fathom thinking about at a time like this. He sees a pole sticking out from the shipwreck and desperately reaches for it. He grabs ahold of it but his grip is slipping as the current is still trying to push him through. Jon vigorously makes his way along the shipwreck to move out of the current and thankfully he succeeds. He swims up to the surface and breathes a huge sigh of relief. He swims to the nearest land. Once upon it, he looks around and sees nothing but a row of windmills. "Hmmm, that's interesting!" Jon exclaims.

Three years later and it's now 2020, Jon is still a man living in New York but he is not just a regular man. He is a man with an idea that could change the world and how we live in it. After having an epiphany when he stared at the windmills, Jon thought what if something similar was put in the ocean. His firsthand experience with a powerful water current made him realise that the amount of energy that could be produced from that is outstanding. Jon later came up with the idea of an underwater turbine that would use water currents to produce energy. Similar to a windmill, but this is underwater. Jon has this amazing idea but he doesn't know how to make it a reality. Jon decides that he should pitch his idea to Energy Inc.; a company that specializes in producing energy in various ways.

The day of the meeting made Jon extremely nervous. Sweat is releasing from his pores and it seems the temperature is rising every minute. He is anxiously pacing back and forth in the offices of Energy Inc. and just wants to get this over with. "Do you have any more water?" Jon asks the secretary. "Of course I'll get you another bottle. As a matter of fact, I'll just bring you the whole case!" says the secretary referring to the numerous amounts of water bottles Jon has already consumed. Jon isn't amused and this just makes him more nervous but then suddenly he hears the deep, distinct voice of a man. "Jon, so glad you could make it!" says the CEO of Energy Inc. Bob Honda. "Likewise!" exclaims Jon whose legs now begin to shake. They get down to business and Jon explains his idea and plan. "That is absolutely brilliant" Bob shouts with ecstasy. "We are going to make a lot of money together." What Bob said made Jon realise that he could actually make a profit from this. The thought of money didn't even cross his

mind until a few moments ago although this may have not been a good thing. "Speaking of money, let's negotiate. Since it is my idea, I want 80 percent of the profit and I'll leave you with 20," said a now greedy Jon. "Excuse me!" shrieked Bob "That is absolutely ludicrous! This company is going to be funding and distributing this project and for us to only have a 20 percent profit is insane" said a frustrated Bob. "I don't care, 80 to 20 is my final and only offer. You either take it or work on something innovative and game changing or leave it and miss out on an opportunity to help this world." said an arrogant and greedy Jon. "I'm sorry but I cannot do that deal, and I cannot do business with a man like you," said a furious Bob who stormed out of the room. Jon thinks nothing of the situation as he walks out of the building with a newly found arrogance but he fails to realise that he blew the deal. Not only that, but a few weeks later Energy Inc. started its own underwater turbine project without Jon. They stole his idea although as a tribute to Jon, they slightly acknowledged the fact that he is the creator by naming the underwater turbines "Moxley's."

Jon is furious because now he will receive no compensation and he's also mad at himself because he let greed get in the way of the most important thing – helping the world. He still did, but now he wouldn't get the fame and fortune he strongly desired. Jon remembers that helping the world is why he came up with the idea, and even though he lost the battle with Energy Inc., he still won by aiding the planet with an extraordinary energy producer.