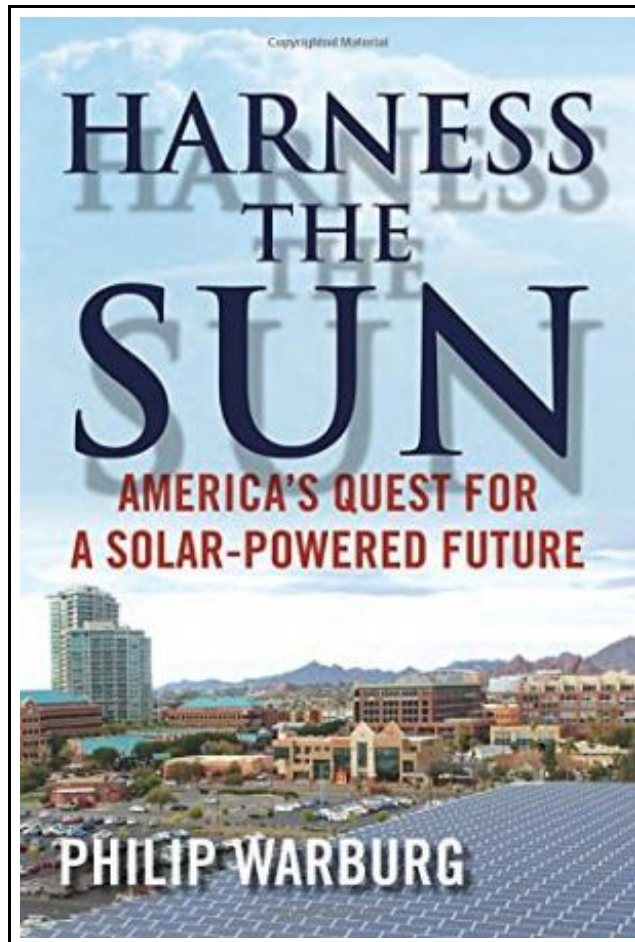# Harness the Sun: America s Quest for a Solar-Powered Future (Hardback)

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