# You can help—Here's how:

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#### Dear Congressperson;

- -The Pentagon identifies climate change as the greatest national and global security threat.
- -The Pentagon has the largest carbon footprint on the planet.
- -War machines endanger all life and increase climate change; peaceful conflict resolution is an urgent priority.
- -Costly weapons systems impoverish critically needed programs: health care, education, transportation, housing, and sustainable energy technologies.

Therefore, I urge you, our elected officials, to redirect funds from building warships at BIW to building sustainable energy systems in order to stem further climate disruption.

Name (print)
Signature
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*or sign online by email with subject line: BIW petition
Bruce Gagnon: globalnet@mindspring.com
Message: Please add my name to the petition to redirect funds at BIW.
My name is: and I live in:
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# Alternatively, what could we build at BIW?

## The Hope Built by BIW's Conversion

- Conversion isn't anti-military, it's common sense.
  If the goal of BIW is to protect life, the only way to do that is by committing to producing life supporting infrastructure.
- New cargo ships are being designed to run on non-fossil fuel energy for cheaper, more efficient delivery of goods to markets worldwide. BIW can do this!
- Having converted to green technology BIW could be fabricating high speed trains, electric buses, windmills, solar panels, hi-tech greenhouses, underwater turbines and solving other industrial design problems for a sustainable planet.
- The sales of carbon-free electric cars is failing to make an impact because supply is not meeting demand, keeping the cost too high for most consumers. It's a market waiting to be filled.
- By converting to the manufacture of green technologies BIW will create more jobs, healthier jobs, higher paying jobs and make peace possible. Green products will be marketable to all of the world and promote international cooperation.
- In the age of climate change, the greatest threats to the US will be the same threats shared by all countries. The solutions demand cooperation. BIW could be a leader in providing solutions.
- Equal to the threat of climate change is the massive accumulation of plastic waste in the oceans --- destroying sea life and breaking down into toxic chemicals and particles. BIW could be a leader in plastics removal and recycling.
- Investors like alternative energy technologies because they are in high demand and undersupplied: BIW could attract new investors!

