



COALITION FOR SMARTER GROWTH

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Wes Bush
President and CEO
Northrop Grumman Corporation
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Dear Mr. Bush:

I am writing to you in my capacity as Executive Director of the Coalition for Smarter Growth and as a retired Navy Captain with a strong commitment to our national security. I urge you to select a Metro station location for your new headquarters in the Washington DC region. By selecting a site within ¼ mile of a Metro station, particularly one close to your major clients, you will be making an additional commitment to our national security beyond that which you already fulfill.

With less than 5% of the world's population, the U.S. consumes 25% of the world's oil, with 70% of that going to transportation. Sixty to seventy percent of our oil is imported, much of it from unstable parts of the world. By concentrating development near high capacity transit, you can significantly reduce oil consumed by employees traveling to and from work and meetings. Combine this efficient location with a LEED-Silver, Gold or Platinum green building and Northrop Grumman will be addressing and reducing the nearly 80% of energy use and CO2 emissions that come from buildings and transportation.

Northrop Grumman is to be commended for already having its government relations office centrally located near Metro in Rosslyn. Metro station locations offer employees more commuting options, including transit, walking and bicycling, saving money while also reducing the region's traffic. These mixed-use, walkable centers provide convenient access to restaurants and other services. We also urge you to adopt a full range of transportation demand management policies including employee transit incentives, carpooling, parking "cash out," and showers/lockers and racks for bicycle commuters.

As a defense company, Northrop Grumman can set the example for other employers contemplating moving to or expanding in the region, while helping to reduce our nation's oil dependency and increase our economic security. I would be pleased to speak with your representatives to provide additional information. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Stewart Schwartz
Executive Director



cc: Robert Helm, Corporate Vice President for Government Relations