

Instructions for Submitting On-line Letter to Your Member of Congress

1. Go to www.powrnow.net
2. Click on "Take Action Now" button located in the middle of the main web page.
3. Under "Actions" click the grey arrow next to "Advocacy Campaign"
4. The form letter will appear. Please review text should you want to include further details.
5. Enter your contact information at the bottom of the web page. Including your address will make sure the letter goes to the correct Member of Congress.
6. Click "Send Message". The message will be delivered to the Member of Congress and both Senators of your state.

Phone Script for Calls to Congressional Offices

Staffer: "Thank you for calling (name of Member of Congress or Senator's Office). How can I help you?"

You:

- Hi. My name is (YOUR NAME) and I live at (FULL MAILING ADDRESS).
- I am calling today because I wanted to make sure (MEMBER OF CONGRESS NAME) knows that a lot of hardworking Americans like me might lose my entire pension that I have worked for years to earn.
- My retirement is tied up in a Multiemployer Pension Plan which is a retirement plan that members of a single union who work for different companies contribute to.
- Unfortunately, many Multi-Employer plans, including the one I belong to, are going bankrupt.
- The reason is because many employers that once contributed to these plans have gone out of business, leaving the remaining employers like mine to support the remaining employees and retirees of the companies that have closed.
- As many as 100 of these plans will fail within the next few years, unless something is done. When this happens, our promised pension benefits will be erased. This means my benefits will be cut drastically.
- Would you please let (NAME OF MEMBER OF CONGRESS OR SENATOR) know of my concern and the concern of my fellow workers? I urge (him/her) to address this crisis before the end of the year.

Staffer: "Thank you. I will pass your message along to the Congressman/woman."

You: "Thank you for your time. When can I expect a response to my concern?"