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NASA, logos of the branches over shot of the Pentagon	<i>Music track: somewhat militant, e.g. President Bartlett is meeting with the Joint Chiefs</i> <b>ANNOUNCER:</b> When NASA, climate scientists and the United States military	
Smoke bellowing from stacks	study the link between carbon pollution	
Tornado, flood, fire footage Headlines: <b>“More Than 3,500 U.S. Weather Records Smashed in 2012”</b> <b>[Scientific American, 1/15/13]</b> <b>“Weather disasters cost \$110 billion in 2012”</b> <b>[CNN, 6/17/13]</b> <b>“Climate Change: Threat to National Security says Pentagon”</b> [Public News Service, 6/17/13]	and extreme weather events, costing lives and billions of dollars...  ...they see the connection. And they’re taking action.	<p><b>NASA: Extreme weather is increasing due to climate change.</b> NASA reported on its website, “Get ready for more extreme weather and increasingly serious impacts on health, the economy and the environment, courtesy global climate change. Temperatures, rainfall, droughts, high-intensity hurricanes and severe flooding events all are increasing and projected to continue as the world's climate warms, according to the National Climate Assessment. ... The report was presented last Friday to the U.S. Global Change Research Program (USGCRP). By law, the group conducts a national assessment every four years for Congress and the president. The USGCRP is comprised of 13 federal agencies, including NASA.” <a href="#">[NASA, 1/16/13]</a></p> <p><b>NASA: Climate change “will lead to more frequent and larger fires.”</b> According to NASA, “Thousands of wildfires large and small are underway at any given time across the globe. Beyond the obvious immediate health effects, this “biomass” burning is part of the equation for global warming. In northern latitudes, wildfires actually are a symptom of the Earth's warming. ... And research suggests that a hotter Earth resulting from global warming will lead to more frequent and larger fires.” <a href="#">[NASA, 9/24/10]</a></p> <p><b>NOAA: Climate change will lead to “heavier extreme rains” and “raise the risk of damaging floods.”</b> The Hill reported, “Global warming will make cases of ‘extreme’ rainfall even more intense and worsen flood risks, federal researchers say in the latest warning that climate change will likely worsen violent weather. A new federally led study explores how growing amounts of atmospheric water vapor due to global warming will affect so-called probable maximum precipitation. The report, released by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, forecasts an ‘accelerated water cycle with heavier extreme rains.’ The study shows ‘a 20-30 percent expected increase in the maximum precipitation possible over large portions of the Northern Hemisphere by the end of the 21st century if greenhouse gases continue to rise at a high emissions rate,’ NOAA said.</p>

		<p>‘We conclude that the most scientifically sound projection is that [probable maximum precipitation] values will increase in the future and raise the risk of damaging floods. These conclusions apply not only to the U.S. but also globally to almost all other areas,’ states the study published in Geophysical Research Letters.” <a href="#">[The Hill, 4/4/13]</a></p> <p><b>Dept. of Defense: “Climate change and energy will play significant roles in the future security environment.”</b>      According to the Department of Defense’s 2010 Quadrennial Defense Review, “Climate change and energy will play significant roles in the future security environment. The Department is developing policies and plans to manage the effects of climate change on its operating environment, missions, and facilities. ... Climate change will affect DoD in two broad ways. First, climate change will shape the operating environment, roles, and missions that we undertake. The U.S. Global Change Research Program, composed of 13 federal agencies, reported in 2009 that climate-related changes are already being observed in every region of the world, including the United States and its coastal waters. Among these physical changes are increases in heavy downpours, rising temperature and sea level, rapidly retreating glaciers, thawing permafrost, lengthening growing seasons, lengthening ice-free seasons in the oceans and on lakes and rivers, earlier snowmelt, and alterations in river flows. ... Second, DoD will need to adjust to the impacts of climate change on our facilities and military capabilities.” <a href="#">[2010 Quadrennial Defense Review]</a></p> <p><b>The last two years have had the most (2011) and second-most (2012) billion-dollar extreme weather events in U.S. history.</b> <a href="#">[NOAA; National Geographic]</a></p> <p><b>CNN: “Climate change will mean more heat deaths.”</b>      CNN.com reported, “As greenhouse gases cause average temperatures to climb worldwide, human health will suffer, scientists say. A study in the journal Nature Climate Change suggests that heat deaths in Manhattan will increase over the rest of this century in connection with higher temperatures associated with global warming. In the 2020s, heat-related deaths could rise about 20% compared with the 1980s, according to the research.” <a href="#">[CNN.com, 5/21/13]</a></p>
<p>Video/still of Johnson  <b>CG: SEN. RON JOHNSON</b></p>	<p>But Senator Johnson? He’s a climate change denier. . .</p>	<p>“I absolutely do not believe in the science of man-caused climate change,” Johnson said. “It’s not proven by any stretch of the imagination. It’s far more likely that it’s sunspot activity or just something in the geologic eons of time.”  <a href="#">[Milwaukee Journal-Sentinel, 4/16/10]</a></p>

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 Ron Johnson – “Action”  
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Logos, lobbyists CG: <b>\$109,550 from oil and gas [Center for Responsive Politics]</b>	And he’s taken more than a hundred thousand dollars from oil and gas...	<b>Johnson has received \$109,550 in career campaign contributions from the oil and gas industry.</b> [ <a href="#">Center for Responsive Politics</a> ]
Smoke bellowing from stack CG: <b>[Senate Roll Call Vote 76, 3/22/13; Senate Roll Call Vote 54, 4/6/11]</b>	And voted to let them keep spewing unlimited carbon pollution into our air.	<b>Johnson voted for funding cuts that would prevent government from curbing greenhouse gas pollution.</b> Johnson voted for an amendment to the Fiscal Year 2014 Senate budget resolution that would enact indiscriminate funding cuts that would prevent federal agencies from curbing greenhouse gas emissions that are causing climate change. [ <a href="#">Senate Roll Call Vote 76, 3/22/13</a> ]  <b>Johnson voted to block EPA from reducing greenhouse gas emissions.</b> Johnson voted to repeal the scientific finding by the EPA that greenhouse gases endanger human health and the environment, to permanently block the EPA from reducing greenhouse gases under the Clean Air Act, and to undermine fuel economy standards. [ <a href="#">Senate Roll Call Vote 54, 4/6/11</a> ]  <b>Johnson voted to bar legislation that would put a price on carbon pollution.</b> Johnson voted to prevent Congress from enacting legislation that would place a federal tax or fee on carbon emissions, which would limit Congress’s ability to address climate change. [ <a href="#">Senate Roll Call Vote 59, 3/22/13</a> ]
CG: <b>Call Senator Johnson. Tell him it’s time to act on climate change. 202/224-5323 Paid for by the League of Conservation Voters</b>	Tell Senator Johnson it’s time to stop denying climate science and act.	