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STARS Steering Committee 1536 Wynkoop St., Suite B500 Denver, CO 80202

Dear STARS Steering Committee:

I am pleased to present to you the State University of New York at Oswego's STARS report. In creating this snapshot of our current performance, we have highlighted areas of progress such as the launch of a new academic Environmental Sustainability program, reductions in energy usage and increased use of recyclable materials. Our environmental sustainability efforts to date have been accomplished through building standards, research, partnerships, collaborations, committees and counsels, and environmental practices. We have made significant strides, but just as important, this process has also helped us identify where we need to improve and align our efforts along a common path forward.

Sustainability is a core value of our institution. Preserving and protecting the environment and human health are integral to our educational mission. Our goal is to ensure that all our students are fully prepared for the future with the intellectual capacity, skills, and access to technologies that enable them to innovate and adapt in an equitable, ethical and sustainable way. We envision a future where intentional learners with clear understanding of the interdependencies of social, economic and environmental challenges invent a better world and are prepared to address the root causes of societal issues.

I am pleased to affirm the work led by John Moore, Director of Facilities Construction and Sustainability, on completing this submittal for a STARS Silver Rating. A broad cross section of our campus community participated in this assessment and review of this submission. The knowledge gained through this process will greatly benefit our initiatives towards a sustainable future.

Sincerely,

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