

February 26, 2019

Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education
2401 Walnut Street
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RE: Submission to STARS, the Sustainability Tracking & Rating System

Dear Colleagues:

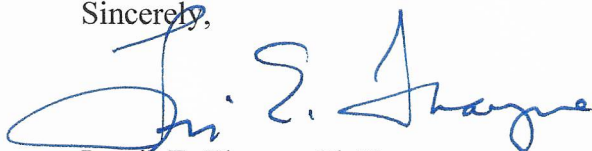
As reflected in our membership in the Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education, Lebanon Valley College embraces the goal of environmental sustainability and commits itself to efforts that will ensure sustainability for our local and global community. It is thus an honor to endorse LVC's submission to qualify for recognition of our achievements through the AASHE's Sustainability Tracking, Assessment & Rating System (STARS) program. I have full confidence in the Environmental Sustainability Advisory Committee (ESAC), a collaboration of faculty, students, and staff members, who collected and reported the information contained in the submission, and I can confirm that their work has been checked for accuracy.

The commitment to sustainability is not new to Lebanon Valley College. Members of the campus community have undertaken sustainability initiatives for more than ten years, first through a presidential task force and now with the direct support of ESAC, which works with the College to:

- Facilitate the establishment of academic courses and other curricular and co-curricular programs related to environmental sustainability.
- Offer advice and have a seat at the table regarding the planning and implementation of environmentally sustainable practices in our facilities, operations, and capital projects, and in the campus master planning process.
- Raise the environmental and sustainability awareness of all members of the campus community through curriculum, programs, special events and initiatives, and through the collection, analysis, and dissemination of information on the College's energy and resource use and overall carbon footprint.
- Foster environmental stewardship and encourage responsible consumption.

Thank you for the opportunity to participate in the STARS program, and we look forward to the review of our submission by AASHE staff.

Sincerely,



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