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Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education
2401 Walnut Street, Suite 102
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Dear Sir or Madam:

It is my pleasure to submit the first Sustainability Tracking, Assessment and Rating System (STARS) submission to the Association for Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education (AASHE) from [British Columbia Institute of Technology \(BCIT\)](http://www.bcit.ca).

For more than 55 years, BCIT has been delivering flexible, relevant, and future-proof education that prepares learners to provide applied solutions to industry challenges – across BC and around the world. With five campuses and over 50,000 students enrolled each year, BCIT is one of BC's largest post-secondary institutes. The BCIT curriculum is developed through close consultation with industry and delivered by instructors who have direct, hands-on experience in their fields. Students gain the technical skills, real-world experience, and problem-solving ability needed to embrace complexity and lead innovation in a rapidly changing workforce. Through its unique applied education model, BCIT is empowering people, shaping BC, and inspiring global progress.

A deliverable of [BCIT's Strategic Plan](#) was to launch our first [Sustainability Vision](#) in 2020. It charts an exciting journey for the Institute that embodies our commitment to advancing socially just lives within ecological limits. The strategies outlined in this Vision will be translated to actions and deliverables through successive sustainability plans. The sustainability plans will be informed by objective gap analysis based on BCIT's STARS submission. This connection will ensure ongoing focus and accountability.

A large team comprising staff, faculty and students have worked together over the past year to collect and compile this report under the leadership of the Institute's sustainability office.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kathy Kinloch".

Kathy Kinloch
President