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STARS Steering Committee
Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education
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Dear STARS Steering Committee:

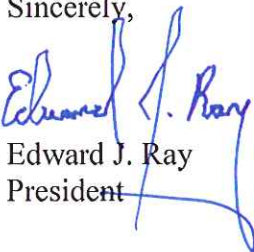
Oregon State University is pleased to submit our Fiscal Year 2013 data for AASHE's Sustainability Tracking, Assessment and Rating System. I'm delighted that our score this year continues to demonstrate our leadership in sustainability. The assessment is a valuable tool in forging new conversations and inspiring actions around issues of global importance like biodiversity, climate change, divestment and social justice.

With better measurement comes a more informed strategy to help our university community be more sustainable. From enhanced sustainability research to more alternatives to the single occupancy vehicle, STARS is a tool that helps fulfill OSU's commitment to advancing the Science of Sustainable Earth Ecosystems, a Signature Area within our strategic plan.

OSU's STARS numeric score is incrementally improving each time we do the assessment, making it clear that while slower than we might wish, we are making progress including sustainability in our academic, research and outreach endeavors, and toward a more sustainable campus. OSU uses this numeric score as a guidepost in developing programs and initiatives. Also, sustainability staff have expressed appreciation with the STARS version 2.0.

I believe OSU's STARS submission is an accurate reflection of OSU's commitment to sustainability. I look forward to our continued participation as a Charter Participant.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Edward J. Ray".

Edward J. Ray
President