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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 2017 data for AASHE's Sustainability Tracking, Assessment and Rating System. Demonstrating our commitment to excellence, Oregon State this past year made modest and impactful improvements in our academics, engagement, planning and operations that resulted in a slightly higher STARS score. We expect this incremental improvement to continue.

This is our seventh STARS submission and we plan to continue reporting each year, attesting to the value of the system as a tool to guide institutional progress toward sustainability. Our sustainability staff have in fact become advocates for STARS. It is now more important than ever to assess and demonstrate the value of sustainability in higher education; our future depends on it. STARS also helps fulfill OSU's commitment to our university mission, particularly as a land grant institution.

I believe this STARS submission is an accurate reflection of Oregon State University's activities, to the greatest extent an assessment system can capture efforts of a large and complex institution. I look forward to our continued participation as a Charter Participant.

Sincerely,

Edward J. Ray
President