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Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education STARS Steering Committee 213 ½ N. Limestone St. Lexington, KY 40507

Re: STARS submission

Dear STARS Steering Committee Members:

On behalf of the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point, I am pleased to affirm the results submitted to AASHE's Sustainability Tracking, Assessment & Rating System (STARS). Our Gold ranking demonstrates our commitment to integrating sustainability into our academics, facilities management, housing, food services and transportation. Sustainability has been a critical component of our campus culture for decades, and we are proud to be a role model and leader for other institutions. Our mission statement notes clearly our dedication to sustainability:

Through the discovery and dissemination of knowledge, the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point stimulates intellectual growth, provides a liberal education, and prepares students for a diverse and sustainable world.

The AASHE Sustainability Tracking Assessment & Rating System (STARS) document will help guide our future efforts to organize and prioritize campus initiatives that support our strategic plan. STARS is a valuable planning and reporting tool allowing us to benchmark and measure our progress.

We appreciate the opportunity to participate in the STARS program. We also wish to thank AASHE for their advocacy and support on behalf of the urgent issues of climate change and sustainability.

Sincerely,

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