



Paula J. Carlson, Ph.D., President

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Meghan Fay Zahniser
Executive Director, AASHE
2401 Walnut Street Suite 102
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Dear Ms. Zahniser,


On behalf of Luther College, I am pleased to submit our Sustainability Tracking Assessment and Rating System (STARS) report. I affirm the submission is accurate to the best of my knowledge.

We hold ourselves to a high standard when it comes to sustainability since part of Luther's mission is to "practice joyful stewardship of the resources that surround us." We recognize that sustainability goes hand in hand with a just, equitable, and prosperous society, and we work hard not only to green our campus practices but also to teach our students that creating a sustainable society is a responsibility that falls to each of us.

Luther's new strategic plan renews our commitment to the college's Climate Action Plan and our goal of carbon neutrality by 2030. We have reduced our campus greenhouse gas emissions 55 percent to date and have strategies in place to meet our next goal of a 70 percent reduction by 2020.

The STARS report is an excellent tool for Luther to document our successes in a wide range of sustainability initiatives on campus and to identify areas for continuous improvement. Please let me know if you require any additional information.

Sincerely,



Paula J. Carlson, Ph.D.
President

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