

February 22, 2016

To Whom It May Concern:

It is with great pride that I submit this letter with Earlham College's Sustainability Tracking and Rating System (STARS) submission for a rating. Earlham's sustainability efforts are farreaching and growing each year. I affirm that information included in this report is accurate to the best of my knowledge and that the parties responsible for collecting and reporting the data herein have done due diligence in their efforts.

I am particularly proud of our institution's efforts in sustainability operations. Since our last STARS submission we now have four campus buildings with LEED certification, one of which is being heated and cooled with geothermal power. We have also recently undergone an energy performance upgrade that will reduce energy consumption on campus by nearly 25 percent. The project made lighting, water conservation, heating, ventilation and cooling systems more efficient across campus.

Additionally, we are making exciting changes on the curricular level. We recently hired our first tenure-track faculty member dedicated to our environmental curriculum and are also updating our Environmental Science and Environmental Studies majors and creating an exciting new Environmental Sustainability program.

Earlham continues to show dedication to sustainability on campus and we appreciate the ability to showcase our work with the AASHE STARS program.

Sincerely,

David Dawson, President