

To AASHE and STARS Program,

This letter is to affirm that HCC’s role in implementing a Level 2 Electric Vehicle Charging Station is truly innovative as this is the 1st Public EV Charging Station to be installed in SW NC (6 County Region), which is essentially west of Asheville, NC. HCC was able to use all funds within a 30 mile radius which made this project truly local. Energy will be given to the EV for free till June of 2013, which may prompt some car owners to switch over to EV’s. One such occurrence did occur on the campus at HCC, a faculty member converted his Gen 2 Prius to an EV once he found out we had a source to charge while he is at work.

My credentials to give affirmation for this project include serving on the Land of Sky Regional Council Electric Vehicle Committee, which is in charge of putting together planning documents, outreach and analysis of the up and coming EV market for the 5 county region of WNC surrounding and including Asheville, NC.

Sincerely,

Preston Jacobsen