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Meghan Fay Zahniser, Executive Director
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Dear Ms. Zahniser,

It is with great pleasure that I submit Middlebury College's third official STARS report for review and publication on the AASHE STARS website. I affirm that it is an accurate reflection of the steps Middlebury has recently taken to make sustainability a part of the culture and character of the College. Our submission supports our rating as a gold level institution and will serve to help shape our future efforts in sustainability leadership for higher education.

Middlebury has long valued the role that higher education plays in creating a more sustainable future. From founding the first undergraduate program in environmental studies to our recent achievement of carbon neutrality, we have worked to make sustainability a systemic aspect across all our enterprises. We are proud of our accomplishments and will continue to seek new and better ways of creating a more sustainable world.

We are pleased to have participated in the development of the STARS assessment and to have served as an early pilot site. STARS is a valuable resource for measuring and tracking sustainability progress internally and as a gauge of our collective efforts in higher education to provide leadership in this area. Our thanks to AASHE for its role in making it available and the ongoing improvements you have made to it.

Sincerely yours,

Laurie L. Patton
President