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STARS 213 ½ N. Limestone Lexington, KY 40507

Re: STARS Submission of Lakeland Community College

To Whom It May Concern:

Lakeland Community College, located in Kirtland, Ohio, became a STARS Version 1.0 Charter Participant in 2010. The STARS submission that accompanies this letter is a true testament to the sustainability efforts occurring at Lakeland. Lakeland conducted this sustainability self-assessment with the assistance of a third party consulting firm, Affinity Consultants, Inc., and all information is accurate to the best of my knowledge as well as the knowledge of the listed responsible parties at the College who supplied the information.

Lakeland is committed to reducing our own impact on the environment. We strive to be a role model for our students, faculty, and staff, as well as for the entire higher education community.

At Lakeland, sustainability can be observed throughout the campus. Physical reminders include our green roof on the S Building, recycling bins located throughout the campus, and the regional transit system shuttling students to and from our campus (for free), reducing our commuting-related impacts. In addition, Lakeland has conducted a large scale energy program and has created an Energy Master Plan that has already reduced our energy and greenhouse gas footprint by 40 percent over a 36 month period. Finally, sustainability can be seen in Lakeland's people – especially in the students involved in the Green Group, the student group that promotes sustainability on campus.

One of Lakeland's continuous improvement goals is to advance sustainability within operations, administrative programs, and portions of the curriculum. To this end, we have chosen to participate in the STARS program to establish a sustainability framework and baseline for understanding and measuring our future progress. Lakeland looks forward to furthering sustainability on our campus, in our community, and within the higher education community.

Best Regards.

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Lakeland Community College