

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

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The Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education (AASHE) ATT Steering Committee: Sustainability Tracking Assessment & Rating System 213 ½ North Limestone
Lexington Kentucky, KY 40507

Dear STARS Steering Committee,

Re: Thompson Rivers University STARS Submission

On behalf of Thompson Rivers University I am pleased to submit our 2014 Sustainability Tracking Assessment & Rating System (STARS) Report.

In 2007 Thompson Rivers University (TRU) prioritized sustainability as a founding value and key priority in the institutions first Strategic Plan. In 2013, "Increasing Sustainability" was identified as one of five institutional Strategic Priorities over the next five years. TRU's Strategic Sustainability Plan (SSP), which was developed using the STARS report as a framework, provides a focus for TRU's efforts toward sustainability over the same period. The SSP is comprehensive in nature, and includes more than 130 recommended strategies across for key areas: Operations & Planning, Advocacy & Engagement, Learning and Administration.

This is TRU's second STARS report and I affirm the submission and data within, collected and analyzed by The Office of Environment & Sustainability, to be accurate.

The STARS report has become a key part of the measuring and planning process and helps ensure that TRU improves on an already solid track record of embedding sustainability throughout every level of the institution. We appreciate the leadership provided by AASHE and the opportunity to participate.

Sincerely,

ALAN SHAVER

President and Vice-Chancellor