

February 10, 2016

STARS Steering Committee
Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education
2401 Walnut Street, Suite 102
Philadelphia, PA 19103

Dear AASHE STARS Steering Committee:

As Maryville College (MC) has been both a Charter Participant of the Sustainability Tracking Assessment and Rating System (STARS) and a previous participant in STARS where we received a Bronze rating in 2012, we seek to continue our institutional commitment to social, environmental and economic sustainability. I am pleased to submit our school's second STARS report, version STARS 2.0, for Maryville College and find it to be an accurate reflection of the programs, policies and curricular initiatives and goals at our liberal arts institution.

Among the features Maryville College is pleased to highlight in this report include our orchards, located in the 140-acre woods (the largest green space in the City of Maryville); our participation in the White House's American Campuses Act on Climate Pledge; the LEED® Gold certified Crawford House on the MC campus; MC's leadership role in the New Opportunity School for Women (NOSW); newly created Sustainability Studies and Outdoor Studies and Tourism minors; and LUCID™ real-time energy dashboards featuring on-site solar energy generation, as some of our new initiatives and programs since our last report.

This STARS report will provide valuable benchmarking for Maryville College to reflect on our growth since the last STARS report and set goals for further progress in sustainability at the College as we move to our bicentennial in 2019. We affirm our commitment to sustainability as an institution and to our local community and the region of East Tennessee with this report. We are grateful for AASHE's commitment to advance sustainability among institutions both nationally and globally.

Thank you for your attention.

Sincerely,



William T. Bogart
President