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Dear STARS Steering Committee Members:

It is with great pleasure that The New School submits its second Sustainability Tracking, Assessment, & Rating System (STARS) report. On behalf of the university, I am pleased to affirm to the best of my knowledge that all of the information provided in the report accurately represents our institution's sustainability efforts.

The University's strategic plan states, "embedded in and important to our work across all goal areas is a university wide commitment to social justice and sustainability." This commitment is reflected in the work of the Tishman Environment and Design Center, New School Buildings, and countless other offices working together to prepare students, engage staff, and amplify faculty research and practice around issues of sustainability, climate change, and environmental justice.

Since submitting our first STARS report in 2011, The New School has committed to divestment from fossil fuels, re-launched the Tishman Environment and Design Center as a hub for campus sustainability engagement and curriculum, and made significant strides in the sustainable operations of our facilities. This report serves as an updated benchmark for our institution-wide sustainability efforts, and will be used to set new goals and strategies to further uplift and implement sustainability throughout the university.

We appreciate the opportunity to participate in the STARS program, and we look forward to continuing to work with AASHE to advance sustainability on our campus, in higher education, and in our communities.

Sincerely,



David E. Van Zandt