

WELLESLEY COLLEGE
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

H. Kim Bottomly

August 18, 2011

The Association for the Advancement of
Sustainability in Higher Education
213 ½ North Limestone
Lexington, KY 40507

RE: Wellesley College STARS Submission

To Whom It May Concern:

Wellesley College is pleased to be a Charter Participant in the Sustainability Tracking, Assessment, and Rating System (STARS). We believe our participation in this program will advance our commitment to sustainability.

I affirm the accuracy of the information included in our inaugural STARS report, which demonstrates that Wellesley College earns a rating of “silver” in August 2011. We believe this rating is an accurate reflection of the College’s commitment to sustainability as reflected in our interdisciplinary liberal arts curriculum, extracurricular programs, sustainable operations, and strong emphasis on the value of diversity. These factors, along with Wellesley’s own aspirational goals for decreasing water, waste, and energy consumption, as well as creating green landscapes, place the College at the forefront of sustainability in higher education.

We appreciate AASHE’s responsible commitment to advancing sustainability in higher education. STARS is a valuable tool and will serve us well in assessing Wellesley’s current efforts and identifying what we can do in the future to remain true to our pledge to sustainability.

Sincerely,



H. Kim Bottomly

