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Dear Troy,

This is an affirmation that I have reviewed UMN-Morris's 2022 STARS report in preparation for its submission to AASHE. My, and our, process was as follows:

I completed a first review of your preliminary credit reports and used the STARS Review Template to mark each credit with a status. I looked over the credits for errors and inconsistencies with each other and my knowledge of the campus. The most common errors that I found were inadequate sources, missing information, or broken links. I sent the review template back, and then you were able to respond to my comments and for most of the credits with missing data, explain that you were waiting for updated documents to be shared. Then corrections were provided, and a second review was conducted. This was done 3 times and each credit was given a final designation of meeting criteria or not pursuing.

I am a current student at UMN-Morris, studying Environmental Science and Spanish, and have been involved in sustainability work and programming since my sophomore year. I have led a lot of campus programming through my service in student government and involvement with community environmental groups. I am a current intern with the Office of Sustainability and this review was my first deep dive into our AASHE STARS reporting system.

Completing this review took less time than I had anticipated and the reporting done was straight-forward and clear. I estimate it took about 15 hours. Most of the errors were minor and very easy to correct. It is awesome to see all of our accomplishments as a campus earning us a gold rating. I am grateful that we have a campus community and administration that so happily embraces our sustainability efforts and look forward to the continued work to make this campus a better place.

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