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

Dear Sir or Madam,

Re: University of Calgary 2013 STARS Report Submission

The University of Calgary is working hard to become a Canadian leader in campus sustainability, making it a key principle in all that we do. The STARS reporting framework is an important and valuable measure of our progress and on June 14th the University of Calgary provided institutional data for our second STARS submission, offering a snapshot of our institutional progress since our first STARS submission in 2011.

We have seen significant progress since that first submission. We launched our *Eyes High* strategic vision with a goal to become one of Canada's top five research institutions by our 50th anniversary in 2016, and included sustainability as a core value. Sustainability is also highlighted as a key objective throughout our 2012 Strategic Research Plan and is one of seven academic priorities in our 2012 Academic Plan. Together, these governing documents provide a roadmap for advancing sustainability in teaching and learning, and in research.

Our 2013 STARS submission was prepared by the University of Calgary's Office of Sustainability together with our Sustainability Stewardship Working Group and in broad consultation with the campus community. To the best of our knowledge this submission is an accurate measurement of our progress to date.

The University of Calgary proudly submitted this second STARS report in support of a STARS Gold rating. This is an important milestone in our commitment to excellence and leadership in advancing the pursuit of sustainability in teaching, research, community service, and operations.

Sincerely,

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President and Vice-Chancellor

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