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Ms. Stephanie Herrera  
Executive Director  
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Dear Ms. Herrera,

On behalf of all the students, faculty, and staff at George Mason University, I am pleased to submit our 2014 Sustainability Tracking, Assessment and Rating System (STARS) Report. This report contains a comprehensive review and accurate representation of our current sustainability practices, policies, and standards. Everyone in the Mason community is proud to have achieved a STARS Gold rating this year. This rating is a testament to the efforts put forth to improve our sustainability policies, academics, research, engagement, and operations.

George Mason University is Virginia's largest public research university. We pride ourselves on focusing on results for a more just, free and prosperous world. In the area of sustainability, Mason boasts an impressive array of scholars and research centers addressing climate change and other environmental challenges. Further, sustainability-related courses and programs have become a hallmark of our curriculum, while we have gone beyond this by committing our campuses as educational examples and test beds for research.

Today, our Sustainability Living Learning Community, Green Patriots program, Environmental Action Group, and other student groups ensure that environmental concerns are front and center in student life. The Office of Sustainability works tirelessly with collaborators across campus to green operations and culture, while creating valuable hands-on learning experiences for students. Our Patriot Green Fund provides financial support to the Mason community for sustainability-related infrastructure improvement and research projects that use our campus as a learning laboratory, allowing students to apply sustainability theories in a very visible manner on our campuses.

At George Mason University, we strive to be a university for the world. Our pursuit of sustainability goals is a central feature of this commitment. The STARS tool has provided us with a valuable assessment of our progress and strengths, as well as identifying areas where we can still improve.

Sincerely,

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