



January 27, 2011

Ms. Jillian Buckholz
Stars Program Coordinator
Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education
Albany, NC

RE: Letter of Affirmation for Innovative Program Credit

Dear Ms. Buckholz,

This is to affirm that the Green Information and Training Center is truly innovative for Brunswick County and the North Carolina Community College System.

The Brunswick Community College Economic and Workforce Development (BCCEWD) has in the past three years, been bringing to the forefront sustainable programs for green building, weatherization, and renewable energy, as well as, help to lead the sustainability effort at the college and inform the community on sustainability trends. To meet the growing need of new emerging technologies and trends in sustainability, BCCEWD opened the Green Information and Training Center as a Pilot program under the Brunswick Educational Transition Center. Since its establishment, in 2010, BCC has become one of five community colleges in North Carolina as Entry Level PV Exam Providers for the **North American Board of Certified Energy Practitioners (NABCEP)** and an authorized training site for the **National Center for Construction Education and Research (NCCER)**, both nationally recognized associations regarding alternative energy and the trades. The College also had its first annual Sustainability Symposium in March of 2011 in partnership with the NC Military Business Center to inform the community on sustainability. We are also part of the Cape Fear Economic Development Alliance.

Sincerely,

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