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AASHE 1536 Wynkoop St. B500 Denver, CO 80202

Re: Colorado State University STARS report submission

To whom it may concern:

Colorado State University proudly submits this Sustainability Tracking, Assessment and Reporting Systems report to the Association for Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education. Colorado State University's score of 82.82 represents a significant improvement since our assessment submitted in September 2011, maintaining a Gold ranking. We are pleased that, to our knowledge, this is the highest submitted STARS score to date.

I am confident our score accurately represents the sustainability efforts and values of Colorado State. The report has been vetted by a cross-campus review board, and we believe it is a fair and comprehensive assessment of our progress to date. This STARS report builds upon nearly a century and a half of environmental research at Colorado State. It also reflects a strong commitment to advancing understanding of sustainability and human impact on our global environment, maintaining a strong commitment to sustainable construction and operations on our campus, and — most important — providing an academic environment in which students are able to learn the importance of sustainability and develop a lasting personal commitment to it.

I thank AASHE for its leadership in creating a thoughtful, reflective avenue for quantifying sustainability initiatives across the board for institutions of higher education.

Sincerely,

Dr. Tony Frank

President

