



October 27, 2015

STARS Steering Committee
Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education
213 1/2 North Limestone
Lexington, KY 40507

Dear STARS Steering Committee:

It is my pleasure and privilege to affirm that the information submitted by Pomona College in its report for the AASHE Sustainability, Tracking, Assessment and Rating System (STARS) is complete and accurate, and is a fair representation of current sustainability efforts and programs on our campus.

Pomona College continues to renew its commitment to sustainability and to support that commitment with our resources, our staffing, and our programs. Over the past two years the College has achieved a number of milestones, including the development of a Master plan that incorporates carbon reduction goals and policies and an annual Climate Action Report. We have also continued to build opportunities for curricular and co-curricular focus on environmental and sustainability concerns.

Our affiliation with AASHE and our status as a charter participant in the STARS program provide models of best practice, tools for evaluation, and data that challenge and inspire us. I look forward to our continued participation, and believe that this resource will help us to make progress toward the goals laid out in the Board of Trustees' Statement on Environmental Policy. The statement notes that Pomona College is "committed to the further development of an ethos of resource sustainability among faculty, staff, and students and to the incorporation of environmentally sound practices in its operations," and commits to pursuing this "ethos" of sustainability through campus planning, maintenance, and construction, financial and budgetary planning, educational and research support, and ongoing assessment and review.

Thank you for this opportunity and for the resource you provide to Pomona College and other colleges and universities.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "David W. Oxtoby".

David W. Oxtoby