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AASHE STARS Review Team
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Dear Review Team,

On behalf of Frostburg State University, I am pleased to submit our latest sustainability self-assessment through the AASHE STARS methodology.

Through the accurate and up-to-date data provided in this assessment, you will see that Frostburg has made sustainability a high priority and significant part of our institutional culture, something that is manifested through our educational programs, practices and facilities. These initiatives include everything from our interdisciplinary sustainability studies minor, which prepares students for “green collar” jobs, to our annual Focus Frostburg event, a daylong series of workshops and presentations on sustainability issues, to our LEED Gold-certified student union center and Sustainability Energy Research Facility. Learning Green, Living Green, a campuswide team of students, faculty and staff, directs our sustainability initiatives, guided by our Climate Action Plan we created in 2009.

Not surprisingly, FSU is gaining national attention as an environmental leader in higher education, thanks to the dedication of our campus and community. Since becoming a signatory of the American College and University Presidents’ Climate Commitment (ACUPCC) in 2007, our University has been named a “Cool School” by the Sierra Club’s *Sierra* magazine. We were recently honored by the Arbor Day Foundation and Toyota Motor North America, Inc., as a Tree Campus USA for meeting five core standards for sustainable campus forestry. In 2011, FSU was recognized for its commitment to sustainability and environmental education with a Second Nature’s Second Annual Climate Leadership Award for Institutional Excellence in Climate Leadership. In 2010 and 2013, our University was listed in the *Princeton Review’s Guide to Green Colleges*. These recognitions reflect Frostburg’s strong commitment to sustainability in the areas of leadership, academics and infrastructure.

On behalf of our entire community, many thanks to AASHE for their advocacy and support on behalf of the urgent issues of climate change and sustainability.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jonathan Gibraltar', with a long, sweeping horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Jonathan Gibraltar,

President