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Mr. Paul Rowland, Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education 1536 Wynkoop St., Suite B500 Denver, CO 80202

RE: IN-2: Innovation 2

Dear Mr. Rowland,

This is the letter of affirmation that Boston University's Green Office Certification initiative was developed at Boston University in late 2010 and early 2011. The Green Office Certification is modeled after the USGBC's LEED rating program. The initiative awards points to individual offices across four categories: energy, waste reduction, recycling, and extra credit. Like LEED, your office can achieve a Certified, Silver, or Gold rating depending on how many points you earn. The initiative's goal is to get faculty and staff thinking about sustainability in their office. The Green Office Certification not only hopes to raise awareness about energy and waste issues, but also to get people to adjust their behavior.

Sincerely,

Michael Orr