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To Whom It May Concern,

I am pleased to submit this letter of affirmation that the information presented for STARS Innovation Credit IN-A. It is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. This is a forward-thinking and ambitious commitment by Boston University to "take aggressive action to reduce the University's GHG emissions, to increase the University's resilience, and to promote the educational and research enterprises with respect to climate change and sustainability."

BU's Climate Action Plan was developed after a year-long analysis by an 18-member task force of the University's faculty, staff, and students. The Task force was asked to "create a strategy to help address the threats caused by extreme weather patterns and the increased likelihood of problems related to flooding and heat waves on the campus." The recommendations made in the CAP are built around our current circumstances with respect to emissions and vulnerability, but they also revolve around several potential scenarios of the future, with all their attendant uncertainties.

Boston University's Board of Trustees approved a Plan with five high-level goals:

1) Prepare the campus for climate change
2) Zero net emissions from its operations by 2040
   a. 100% renewable energy by 2020
   b. 31% reduction in energy demand by 2032
3) Act on indirect emissions
4) Integrate climate change into the teaching and research mission
5) Integrate the Climate Action Plan into the University's Strategic Plan

Sincerely,

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