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Dear AASHE STARS Steering Committee,

Re: STARS Submission

The University of Massachusetts Medical School (UMMS) is proud to verify that the information in the Sustainability Tracking Assessment and Rating System (STARS) report is accurate and a summary of our sustainability efforts to date. Submitting a STARS report is part of UMMS commitment to accountability and progress on sustainability, and aligns with the University of Massachusetts (UMass) Sustainability Policy, passed by the board trustees in 2016.

The Sustainability Policy exemplifies the long-term commitment of the UMMS, with the other campuses of UMass, to be good stewards of fiscal and environmental resources. UMass environmental responsibility is rooted in the University's founding as a land-grant institution, designed to bolster good stewardship of land and industry as well as to serve the greater public good. With stewardship in mind, the efforts and achievements of each campus are celebrated while striving to be sustainability leaders, fulfilling our mission of advancing knowledge, and improving the lives of the people of the Commonwealth, nation, and world.

UMMS support of energy efficiency and sustainability aligns with its mission to advance the health and well-being of the people of the Commonwealth and the world through pioneering education, research, and health care delivery with its clinical partner UMass Memorial Healthcare (UMMHC). UMMS partnership with UMMHC expands to sustainability and energy efficiency: collaborating through committees, coordinating events, and educating staff to improve sustainability across the healthcare system.

The UMMS's commitment to efficiency and sustainability is evident from the accomplishments outlined within the STARS report. The commitment is broad-based, with participation from multiple departments and campus groups, including students, faculty, and staff within the institution. This STARS report is UMMS third submission and part of building further momentum to reach our sustainability goals.

Best Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'John Baker', with the date '2/18/2020' written below it.

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