

May 28, 2021

The Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education 2401 Walnut Street, Suite 1102 Philadelphia, PA 19103

Re: Northeastern University's STARS submission

To whom it may concern:

As Vice President of Facilities Management and primary Officer of Northeastern University's Office of Sustainability, I affirm the accuracy of this report and am pleased to submit this STARS report as part of our on-going commitment to sustainability.

Northeastern University is a growing global research institution in which our experiential model of education is uniquely positioned to address the challenges of our times. Sustainability at Northeastern has been called out as one of the three major research priorities for the University in the Northeastern 2025 strategic plan, which centers on the foundational themes of health, security, and sustainability – the global challenges that define the path to sustainable human communities. To meet the ambitious goals Northeastern has laid out for itself, the University has prioritized the creation and work of a support team for Northeastern's community of educators, researchers, and learners, to help shape the University's response and impact.

In 2021, we will embark on our Climate Justice Action Planning with our eyes towards 2030 and beyond. We know this report will serve as the foundation of this important work.

Thank you for the continued work to strengthen the standards of sustainability in higher education and your continued commitment to serving our communities and reinforcing our individual efforts toward the collective good.

Sincerely,

Maria 7. Cimilluca (Electronic Signature 2021.05.28)

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cc: Casey Shetterly