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Dear AASHE members:

Re: STARS Submission

It is my pleasure to endorse York University's submission to the Sustainability Tracking, Assessment & Rating System (STARS).

York University has a longstanding commitment to sustainability, which began with the founding of our Faculty of Environmental Studies in 1968. Since that time, we have built a strong and broad foundation for campus sustainability, from teaching, learning and research to enhancing our operations through energy conservation, waste reduction and diversion, alternative transportation and green procurement.

The process of completing the STARS assessment has been a valuable one for our University. We have not only reflected on our progress to date, but we have also learned more about best practices and what other institutions of higher learning are currently achieving in sustainability.

I would like to thank everyone at AASHE for your ongoing commitment to sustainability in higher education, and for the support that programs such as STARS offer to institutions like ours. We look forward to working with you and other institutions of higher learning to advance sustainability on campus, in our communities, and around the world.

Sincerely,

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President and Vice-Chancellor

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