

August 23, 2019

Ms. Meghan Fay Zahniser
Executive Director
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Dear Ms. Zahniser:

On behalf of Iowa State University's students, faculty and staff, and as a pilot participant of the Sustainability Tracking, Assessment and Rating System (STARS), I am pleased to submit this letter affirming the accuracy of Iowa State University's recertification report for STARS 2.1.

The information included within the report is accurate to the best of my knowledge. Iowa State is dedicated to conducting research and scholarship with local, national, and international impact. Rooted in the foundation of our mission as a public land-grant university serving Iowa, the nation and the world is a strong commitment to creating, sharing and applying knowledge to make Iowa and the world a better place. This is exemplified through our focus on aiding our students in charting a professional pathway of learning, leading, and innovation. Through opportunities for real-world learning experiences, cutting-edge research, global engagement, and over 900 campus organizations, we recognize and readily accept our important role in educating and shaping the life-long behaviors, decisions, and actions of our future citizens and leaders. Through these activities and many others, Iowa State presses forward on a mission to help make the world sustainable for generations to come.

Our campus-wide Live Green! Initiative, in its eleventh year, offers a collective embodiment of sustainability through continued enhancement and diversification of our sustainability education, engagement and empowerment practices, resources, initiatives and projects involving students, faculty, and staff. We are proud and honored to showcase our continued progress and achievements of the past three years through this report.

STARS continues to be a valuable benchmarking and tracking tool for Iowa State University in making ongoing progress toward our current and future goals. Thank you for the opportunity to continue our participation in STARS and for the enduring work and dedication of you and your team toward ensuring this beneficial and relevant resource for sustainability in higher education.

Sincerely,



Wendy Wintersteen
President