

## OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

January 30, 2015

Ms. Stephanie A. Herrera **Executive Director** Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education 1536 Wynkoop B500 Denver, CO 80202

Dear Ms. Herrera,

On behalf of Wartburg College, I am pleased to affirm our Sustainability Tracking, Assessment, and Rating System (STARS) report for version 2.0. The Sustainability Office worked closely with many other key departments and staff across campus to gather the data contained in this report. The information contained within the report is accurate to the best of my knowledge.

With the adoption of our 2010-2020 Strategic Plan, our commitment to sustainability was increased and solidified. Goal 4, objective 1.3 called us to develop a campus environmental sustainability plan, which was adopted in 2012. Through this plan we have already identified change, which has decreased our environmental impact, as well as saved funds.

With this letter, I submit our institution's second STARS report. The process of completing STARS 1.2 led us to identify our successes as well as areas in which we had room to improve. In the year since our last submission we were able to grow, and are pleased to report that our score has increased.

We look forward to seeing how our score will change in future submissions. Thank you for this opportunity.

Sincerely,

Darrel D. Colson

President