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Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education 2401 Walnut Street, Suite 102 Philadelphia, PA 19103

Dear Members of the AASHE STARS Steering Committee,

The George Washington University seeks to engage the world by exploring the important issues of our time, including policy and governance for sustainability, with a vision to create resource systems that are healthy and thriving for all people. The university is committed to being a model of sustainability through efforts underway in operations, engagement, teaching, and research. We are pleased to support the university's submission for the Sustainability Tracking, Assessment and Rating System (STARS). The report has been compiled and reviewed by the university's sustainability leaders with input from GW students, faculty and staff from across the university.

Located in the heart of the nation's capital, George Washington is committed to promoting sustainability locally, nationally and globally. As included in the STARS report, the university is involved in a variety of initiatives that support a sustainable world. These initiatives encompass the issue areas of climate and energy, urban sustainability, food, water use, environmental justice, responsible procurement, and more.

The George Washington University appreciates the value of STARS in standardizing the measurement and reporting of university initiatives allowing for sustainability benchmarking and to highlight best practices. George Washington is deeply committed to addressing the challenges of sustainability. Please contact Meghan Chapple, Director of the Office of Sustainability at (202) 994-6287 or Kathleen Merrigan, Executive Director of the Sustainability Collaborative at (202) 994-0500, if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely

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