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Association of the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education 1536 Wynkoop St., Suite 100 Denver, CO 80202

To Whom It May Concern:

North Seattle Community College is proud to participate in the Association of the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education's Sustainability Tracking and Rating System, and to submit our campus-wide assessment for the second time. As a charter member of the STARS program, and recipient of a Bronze rating in 2011, sustainability is central to our mission of changing lives through education.

Throughout the last two years, our Sustainability Office has participated in numerous projects, engaging students and faculty from all programs on campus in sustainability education, and ultimately saving the college many thousands of dollars annually. As we enter the final phase of construction on what will be our second LEED-certified building on campus, we continue to demonstrate our commitment to sustainability in all aspects of campus life, from our people to our infrastructure. Our institutional commitment to sustainability, in addition to hard work our students, staff, faculty, and administrators continually demonstrate, serves to educate the broader community, and positions North Seattle Community College as a hub for sustainability education in our region.

This letter affirms that the information being submitted by Christian Rusby, North Seattle Community College Sustainability Coordinator, regarding the sustainability of our college as assessed by the STARS program, is accurate and correct. We are pleased to show our progress, and information contained within this submission further exemplifies the hard work we are committed to here at North Seattle Community College.

Sincerely,

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Interim President

North Seattle Community College