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Mr. Paul Rowland
Executive Director
Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education
1536 Wynkoop Street, Suite 100
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Re: STARS Information Submission

Dear Mr. Rowland,

Since 1870, St. John's University has helped to shape students' lives by providing them with the knowledge, skills and confidence to make a difference in the world. Our curriculum includes "academic centers of excellence" that emphasize research into the mechanisms of sustainable global development and social justice. What's more, we actively involve students in volunteering, mentoring and "service learning" programs that extend across our campus and around the world.

In December 2009 the University's standing committee on sustainability adopted the STARS Technical Manual as its guide for developing sustainability initiatives on our campuses. This letter serves to confirm that the self-assessment information submitted by this committee in January 2011 and updated in April 2012 is accurate.

Thank you for your work in development of the Sustainability Tracking, Assessment and Rating System. STARS has helped us expand and focus on high impact environmental stewardship initiatives.

Sincerely,

Donald J. Harrington, C.M.

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