



## **Executive Cover Letter**

STARS Report Submission, March 2, 2018

## Dear AASHE STARS,

On June 26, 2017, Creighton University hired its first full-time Sustainability Coordinator. This Coordinator works in <a href="The Office of Sustainability Programs">The Office of Sustainability Programs</a>, which is part of <a href="The Global Engagement Office">The Global Engagement Office</a>. The Office of Sustainability Programs guides the implementation of sustainable practices and programs on campus and serves as a hub for collaboration among students, faculty, staff, administrators, alumni, local neighbors, and global partners so we can work together toward a more sustainable present and future in Omaha and afar. Our vision for sustainability is to create a culture of caring for creation.

Creighton has been tracking our greenhouse gas emissions and sustainability performance since 2010. We have submitted STARS Snapshots in the past. This will be our first year submitting a STARS report for rating. Our Sustainability Coordinator has been working closely with two staff members (Director of Institutional Research and Chemical Coordinator) who have been collecting data for our Snapshots since 2013. This core team began collecting data in October of 2017. They followed previously established methodologies and updated procedures as necessary. Our Sustainability Coordinator has participated in two AASHE webinars about compiling a robust report and navigating the new STARS reporting process and how to compile a robust report. The core team has also completed a STARS 2.1 Review Template to ensure accuracy across all credits.

Based on the experience and expertise of our core team, I verify that Creighton University's STARS report submission is accurate.

Thank you,

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