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Association for the Advancement of
Sustainability in Higher Education
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RE: Western Washington University STARS Report Submission

Dear Sir or Madam:

Western Washington University has been a leader in many areas of sustainability since it established the nation's first College of the Environment, Huxley, in 1969. Our current STARS submission reflects a continued commitment to being a national leader through integrating environmental, social and economic considerations into our academic, operational, and administrative practices.

This updated submission reflects the broad spectrum of sustainability initiatives that permeate nearly every aspect of campus life. While Western has had a long tradition of such efforts, the completion of a comprehensive Sustainability Action Plan in the fall of 2017 has integrated them more thoroughly on a strategic level, and provided a more focused roadmap for achieving our goals in the future. In addition to aligning our commitments to infusing sustainability throughout the curriculum, becoming proactive investors in renewable energy, the Sustainability Action Plan has made the campus more aware of the interconnection between sustainability and our other core commitments around social and economic justice. In this way sustainability is becoming even more deeply woven into the fabric of Western, as more on our campus appreciate that a truly sustainable world must be as just as it is green.

Western's staff have been part of AASHE's assessment framework since its inception in 2007. We are pleased to have contributed to the creation of this assessment framework, and respectfully present our updated STARS submission, recognizing that we have many opportunities to grow and demonstrate leadership in the coming years.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sabah Randhawa".

Sabah Randhawa
President