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RE: AASHE STARS Letter of Affirmation

To whom it may concern:

This letter serves as affirmation that Nova Scotia Community College meets the criteria for an innovation credit for the AASHE STARS report. The Waterfront Campus solar bench is an environmentally responsible way to deal with construction waste, and provide clean renewable energy to students, staff, and visitors.

When the Centre for the Built Environment was constructed at Waterfront Campus in Dartmouth, NS, local trees were cut down. This bench is constructed of wood harvested from those trees. By using the wood to construct the bench helped to reduce the amount of waste during the construction of the building. This is an environmentally responsible, and innovative way to improve the sustainability of the Campus.

The bench, constructed by students as a learning tool, was built with photovoltaic solar cells. These solar cells allow patrons, students, and staff to charge their electronic devices using 100% solar energy. This adds to the sustainability and renewable energy theme of the Waterfront Campus.

Nova Scotia Community College is committed to reducing its environmental impact through sustainable practices, promoting leadership, and raising awareness of environmental concerns and sustainability.

Sincerely,



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