



February 25, 2019

Dear STARS Steering Committee:

Western Michigan University is pleased to submit its second Sustainability Tracking, Assessment and Rating System (STARS) report. After careful review of WMU's full STARS data set, I affirm that the content of this report is accurate and representative of the university's sustainability efforts. Western Michigan University's commitment to sustainability is highlighted in the University's Strategic Plan, affirming our commitment to building a culture of sustainability.

Among our honors, we have been recognized as a Michigan Green Leader by the Detroit Free Press (2013), a Sustainability Innovator by Planet Forward (2014), and winner of the Climate Leadership Award by Second Nature (2014) for numerous engagement, education, and research efforts. By pledging to be a sustainability leader and assessing our activities through STARS, we are ensuring that WMU's commitment to sustainability will continue as a strategic priority.

Through STARS, AASHE has done a wonderful job of bringing higher education institutions together and providing an assessment tool that encourages meaningful advancement of sustainability. We are grateful for the opportunity to participate in STARS and look forward to using this process to advance both our future sustainability and strategic planning efforts.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Edward Montgomery".

Edward Montgomery  
President  
Western Michigan University

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Jeff Spoelstra