





January 28, 2013

RE: AASHE STARS Application Innovation Credits

KEEPS Program

University of Louisville

Dear Sir or Madam:

As part of the J.B. Speed School of Engineering at the University of Louisville, KPPC – Kentucky Pollution Prevention Center helps Kentucky's businesses, industries and other organizations stay environmentally sustainable and competitive. KPPC's Kentucky Energy Efficiency Program for Schools (KEEPS) was an innovative and highly successful statewide program designed to serve all 174 Kentucky public school districts to help them reduce energy consumption and lower operating expenses.

While resources provided were based on the ENERGY STAR Seven-Step Energy Management Process, KPPC took a unique approach in delivering its services. Innovative approaches for KEEPS included providing a technical assistance structure built upon one-on-one facilitation and coaching to school districts, development of a series of self-guided, online toolkits, and incorporation of a recognition program, all of which were critical components to the successful delivery of the program.

KEEPS provided an opportunity for the University of Louisville to take a leadership role in promoting sustainability statewide to all K-12 school districts. Please do not hesitate to contact me at (502) 852-0965 or cam.metcalf@louisville.edu should you have any questions concerning this program.

Sincerely,

Cam Metcalf

Executive Director