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Principia College is pleased to submit this Sustainability Tracking, Assessment and Rating System (STARS) report, which was completed by the Director of our Center for Sustainability with support from academic, administrative and operations directors institution-wide. I confirm that the information provided herein is accurate and representative of our campus sustainability initiatives.

Principia is a residential liberal arts college dedicated to providing our students with transformative opportunities, a challenging curriculum, and character education. As a community of outward-looking, inspired learners, we see sustainability as not simply a roadmap to energy efficiency, zero waste and carbon neutrality, but as mission-driven element of our curricular and co-curricular landscape.

The Center for Sustainability is tasked “to educate, promote, and inspire Principia College’s students, faculty and staff to become more responsible local and global environmental citizens.” We believe that living these values is the first step toward preparing our students to solve the most complex and urgent challenges of the 21st century – and forge a more just and sustainable world.

Our institutional strategic plan reminds us to “Actively promote the use of best practices in Principia College’s stewardship of its natural resources, by implementing actions that facilitate achieving zero waste and carbon neutrality that are sustainable in terms of food and campus infrastructure, and that minimize our ecological footprint.” To this end, Principia is pleased to join the global family of STARS institutions, and we look forward to utilizing the STARS report to evaluate and advance our sustainability program going forward.

Sincerely yours,

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