



July 20, 2011

Dear AASHE STARS Steering Committee,

It is my pleasure to submit the AASHE Sustainability, Tracking, Assessment and Rating System (STARS) report for Shoreline Community College. Our report is a complete and accurate representation of current sustainability efforts and programs on our campus.

Our affiliation with AASHE, and status as a charter participant in the STARS program, provide us with models of best practices, tools for evaluation, and data. I look forward to our continued participation, and believe that this resource will help our college make progress toward the goals laid out in its Climate Action Plan.

We, Shoreline Community College (SCC), affirm our commitment to protect and enhance the environment through our learning, research, service, and administrative operations. We seek to foster a community that sustains ecological systems and educates for environmental awareness, local action, and global thinking. We seek to incorporate environmental principles and environmentally responsible practices as fundamental and integrated components of all SCC operations and programs. Our fundamental principles are to:

- *Incorporate environmental concerns as a significant priority in College decision making.*
- *Seek alternative practices and procedures to minimize negative impacts on the environment.*
- *Conserve natural resources and restore environmental quality.*
- *Protect the biodiversity of our region and serve as a living laboratory and habitat for local species.*
- *Consider the social, economic, and environmental impacts of Shoreline Community College's operational policies and foster a participatory process in developing these policies.*

Our decisions and actions will be guided by the College's Mission Statement, reflective of the College's resources, and informed by the Board of Trustees' Policies and the College's Strategic Plan. As a learning institution, we recognize that planning for sustainability will be an evolving practice.

Sustainability requires leadership and a continuing dialogue. We appreciate our partnership with AASHE, and continue to see the STARS program as an important part of our sustainability process.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lee Lambert", is written over a horizontal line.

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