

October 8, 2021

STARS Steering Committee Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education (AASHE) 2401 Walnut St, Suite 102 Philadelphia, PA 19103

RE: California State University, Northridge STARS Submission

Dear Steering Committee,

On behalf of the California State University, Northridge (CSUN) community, I am very pleased to submit the results of the Sustainability Tracking, Assessment and Rating system (STARS) evaluation of our campus' sustainability programs and initiatives.

Sustainability has been a priority of campus operations for many years and we continuously seek to further our efforts in this regard. Most recently this includes the approval of a Master of Arts in Sustainability program which will be launched in Fall 2022 as well as a campus-wide LED lighting upgrade where every single light bulb on campus, nearly 43,000, will be replaced with more energy efficient LED bulbs resulting in a total annual greenhouse gas reduction of 2,200 metric tons of eCO2.

This submission highlights the immense efforts across the campus community in support of sustainable practices, spearheaded by CSUN's Director of Energy and Sustainability Austin Eriksson and Director of the Institute for Sustainability Professor Natale Zappia.

I attest that the information provided within the report accurately captures the sustainability efforts at CSUN and that submitting this report underscores our collective commitment to advancing sustainable values and practices on our campus and beyond.

Sincerely,

Erika D. Beck, Ph.D.

President