

December 20, 2010

The Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education 213 ½ North Limestone Lexington, KY 40507

Re: DePauw University STARS submission

The mission of DePauw's Sustainability Initiative is to create and sustain a nationally recognized living and learning university community that incorporates our foundational sustainability principles into all facets of campus life. The Sustainability Initiative acts as a broad, integrative priority on our campus, and we welcome participation and Leadership from all University stakeholder groups—administration, trustees, alumni, faculty, staff, students, and the surrounding community—in our efforts to move towards a sustainable future.

The completion of this STARS submission recognizes the continued work of DePauw University to become more sustainable and challenges us to continuously improve in the future. We are appreciative of all those throughout the University who provided our data. Our STARS effort was ably led by Missy Orr, Assistant Sustainability Director, whose persistence and dedication has led to a thorough and accurate evaluation of our current STARS status. DePauw University obtained a Bronze rating upon completion of our STARS assessment.

The completion of our STARS evaluation, in tandem with our greenhouse gas survey and Climate Action Plan, provides DePauw with a solid basis for understanding our current sustainability status and for understanding where we can improve. These tools are very important in our ongoing efforts to create a more sustainable DePauw and to prepare our students to take their place in the global effort to create a more sustainable world.

Most sincerely,

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