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Dear Colleagues,

On behalf of Central Michigan University, I am pleased to submit our renewal report to the Sustainability Tracking, Assessment, and Rating System (STARS). We are very enthusiastic supporters of the way AASHE is constantly working to improve the STARS platform and how it takes a comprehensive view of sustainability, while challenging higher education across the world to work to advance sustainability excellence. It is an important time for accountability in our collective efforts for the planet.

The process of completing this report required immense data collection, analysis, and collaborative efforts university-wide and challenged many of our units to think more broadly about sustainability. I am proud of the time and dedication displayed by our STARS student liaisons, Teresa Homsy and Eric Urbaniak, along with Central Sustainability, Facilities Management, and the Office of Diversity Education, all of whom labored to complete the STARS report. I am also proud of newly found insights gained from participating. Central Michigan University has many sustainability efforts and these accomplishments are pronounced within the STARS platform. CMU also has had the opportunity to enhance sustainability programs across campus and dynamic evidence from this report, with its achievement of a higher rating, continues to provide the tool to target our efforts in needed areas.

This is an ongoing learning process for all of us, and we are grateful for the partnership as we continually assess and refine our programs and operations to meet our sustainability goals. CMU is known for heeding the call to action in environmental issues, social justice, and sustainability, and our STARS report helps demonstrate the actions taken in response. One of CMU's many noteworthy achievements is the EPA national award to our comprehensive food waste program.

I am confident that our data, as reported to me, will be verified at the Gold level, a new advance for us, and notable highlight of completing the process this year. With this letter, I affirm that this submission is a good faith, accurate account of our sustainability activities at Central Michigan University.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "A.T. Miller". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long, sweeping tail that extends to the right.

A.T. Miller, Ph.D.
Vice President and Chief Diversity Officer