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To the AASHE - STARS Assessment Committee,

We are pleased to be submitting composite data for the 2012 AASHE – STARS Assessment Report for Grand Valley State University. A great deal of collaboration and insight went into this report that will chart our path for future integrated sustainability initiatives. I affirm that the information included in this submission is accurate.

Our strategic plan is built around seven values that define Grand Valley: effective teaching, liberal education, scholarship, service, inclusiveness, community, and sustainability. These values are embedded in eight strategic goals; as we achieve these goals, our values become intrinsic characteristics of the Grand Valley community.

We will continue to hold ourselves accountable for achieving these strategic goals, both as individuals and as integral parts of complex teams. In doing so, the university will continue to meet its most important mission – educating students to shape their lives, their professions, and their societies.

Very respectfully,

Thomas J. Haas

President