



**Olin College
of Engineering**

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Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education
2401 Walnut Street
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Philadelphia, PA 19103

Dear Members of the STARS Steering Committee,

Franklin W. Olin College of Engineering is pleased to submit our first sustainability assessment using the Sustainability Tracking Assessment and Rating System. This assessment will allow us to form a baseline on which to move forward and improve. The STARS program allowed us to start having institutional conversations about our processes and revealed that all offices have a part in making Olin College sustainable. Our sustainability steering committee is in the process of creating a sustainability plan for Olin College and will use the STARS report to provide recommendations and priorities.

In the past year, Olin College has taken steps towards building a more sustainable campus. The sustainability steering committee created a Revolving Green Fund for students to submit energy and sustainability projects where part of the savings will be returned to the fund in order to grow it for future projects. The College has also started a composting and food rescue program to reduce waste. Additionally, all building upgrades are completed with energy and water conservation in mind by choosing Energy Star and Water Sense products.

The AASHE STARS program has been invaluable to benchmarking our efforts and future planning. Olin College recognizes the importance of sustainability and will continue to strive to improve. To the best of my knowledge, I affirm that the information in our STARS report is accurate and complete.

Sincerely,

Richard K. Miller
President

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