

January 23, 2015

STARS Steering Committee
Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education
1536 Wynkoop Street, Suite 100
Denver, CO 80202

RE: Florida State University's 2015 STARS Submission

Dear STARS Steering Committee,

On behalf of Florida State University, it is my pleasure to endorse and affirm FSU's STARS submission; this comprehensive report reflects our institution's sustainability initiatives to date. Florida State utilizes our STARS report as a benchmarking tool to track progress and identify areas for improvements.

Sustainability at Florida State University continues to evolve and new opportunities in research, operations, and engagement emerge every day. Since our last submission in 2011, Florida State created the Sustainability Advisory Board – a top-tier group of involved faculty and staff charged with developing a sustainability strategic plan and our institution's Climate Action Plan. Additionally, we have reached significant milestones in our programming and operational objectives, and continue to strive for more.

Florida State University is deeply committed to sustainability, as evidenced by the hard work and dedication of our faculty, staff, and students. I look forward to fostering the multiple dimensions of sustainability on our campus and in the Tallahassee community in as well as growing our leadership in this arena.

Sincerely,

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President, Florida State University