CALIFORNIA STATE POLYTECHNIC UNIVERSITY, POMONA



Office of the President

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STARS Steering Committee Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education 2401 Walnut Street Suite 102 Philadelphia, PA 19103

Dear STARS Steering Committee:

I am pleased to forward our latest Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education (AASHE) Sustainability Tracking Assessment Rating System (STARS) data report on behalf of California State Polytechnic University, Pomona (Cal Poly Pomona). This report was prepared by our Sustainability Office, which is located within Strategic Initiatives in the Division of Administrative Affairs, in collaboration with various campus departments.

The data contained in this report reflects our continued institutional commitment to sustainability. As part of our university strategic plan we remain committed to improving our campus infrastructure and organizational capacity by redesigning administrative process and systems to more efficient, effective and sustainable. Some of our initiatives undertaken in the past year include expansion of water conservation, constructing LEED certified buildings, reducing our campus carbon footprint, incorporating sustainability into the broader curriculum, and promoting student outreach programs. We are encouraged by the increased awareness and enthusiasm related to sustainable practices. As a critical deliverable of our strategic plan, in the coming year we will begin the process of developing a comprehensive sustainability plan that leverages our unique assets and location and that addresses natural resources, buildings and facilities, transportation, and procurement.

We fully recognize that sustainability is an ongoing process of continual improvement and we will continue to provide reports to reaffirm our commitment and measure our progress. Our campus will remain dedicated to sustainability and recognize the important role that teaching, research, planning, operations, governance, and engagement play in advancing sustainability more broadly in our local and global communities.

Sincerely,

Soraya M. Coley, Ph.D.

President