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DATE: April 2015

RE: AASHE STARS Letter of Affirmation

To whom it may concern:

This letter serves as affirmation that the Dining and Summer Conferences (DSC) "Green-On-the-Go" program meets the criteria for an Innovation Credit for the AASHE STARS report.

Beginning in March 2014, reusable take-out containers were made available to students in the Dreyfus University Center food court. Students can purchase a food container for \$6.00. Each time the container is used, the student receives a \$0.50 discount on their food purchase and will be making money after their 13<sup>th</sup> purchase.

The dirty container is returned to the food court and the student is given a validation ticket to hand to the food service worker when they next want to purchase food in a "Green on the Go" container. Used containers are washed and ready to be handed out again. This program is also available to faculty and staff of the University of Wisconsin Stevens Point.

Dining and Summer Conferences uses Earthchoice compostable drink ware and service ware for take -out purchases in all dining locations as not all students are interested in purchasing a "Green on the Go "container. DSC also offers students a price break on fountain beverages when purchased using a re-usable beverage container.

UW-Stevens Point Dining Services incorporates other sustainable practices in its daily operations including local and organic food purchases, composting, recycling, reduction of food waste, energy conservation, buying recycled products and green cleaning practices.

Sincerely, Suzette Conley

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