# *Thank you for your commitment to green initiatives at the University of Illinois. One of the ongoing requirements listed in the terms of the funding agreement for your project is the submission of semesterly reports with key information about your project. In addition to this form, please provide additional financial documentation and/or progress photos if available.*

# *Please be as accurate as possible in describing the project (including possible setbacks or challenges in meeting the initial goals of the project). Not fully meeting your project's goals will not disqualify you from making future funding requests as long as your reports are as complete and accurate as possible. If you have any questions, please contact the Student Sustainability Committee, at* *sustainability-committee@illinois.edu**.*

**Project Name:** Illini Union I-Room LED Conversion

**Date of Report Submission:** 9/10/2021

**Project Purpose:**

The Illini Union Illini Rooms, or I‐Rooms, formerly used compact fluorescent lighting fixtures in recessed can‐style fixtures. These lighting fixtures were low efficiency, contain mercury, and were expensive to maintain. Through this project we replaced all 72 of these outdated fixtures with LED alternatives. This conversion increased energy conservation efforts within the Illini Union and greatly reduces the overall carbon footprint of the building given the high rate of use of these large meeting rooms. This first phase of work has been operational and complete since August 19, 2019 (FY20).

Additionally, we requested and received a Scope Change remove (13) old 2 X 2 fixtures in Illini Room Lobby area, to be installed with new metal frames built by Sheet Metal Shop. All new LED fixtures will connect to the existing circuit. Additionally, the (3) illuminated room signs for the Illini Rooms in same lobby area will be upgraded to LED strips.

**Detailed Accounting of Expenditures to Date:**

Please see attached Excel workbook.

**Project Progress to Date:**

We have completed all work on the Illini Rooms as of 8/19/2019. The scope change work for 13 LED lay-in 2’x2’ fixtures, custom trim bezels, and LED Room sign conversion has only completed material and labor for the metal trim bezels. LED fixtures and installation is likely to complete after graduation in May 2021 due to electrician labor shortages and Sydney Liu project.

**Student Involvement and Outreach to Date:**

Two: former IU Board VP of Policy Hannah Price and IU Board President Louis Sommesi. Illini Union Green team is working on a Sustainability webpage of the main Illini Union webpage that will highlight our progress and impact of this project on students and guests of the Union.

**Marketing and Promotion Efforts to Date:**

None explicitly so far. We have commitments from Illini Union Marketing to integrate our information on the Union’s webpage, but this effort has been hampered due to COVID-19 and the changing Campus identity lockups for our webpage. IU Board and the SSC are planning a major outreach event for Earth Week in April 2022, and this project will receive attention in highlighting our progress in reducing utility demand at Illini Union.

**Additional Comments:**

We will submit the final completion summary of the project, including the scope change, outreach, and final cost in August of 2022.