

Lignite Research Program- Grant Round 101- Application Summaries						
Application Number	Application Title	Applicant	Project Duration	Summary of Project	Funding Requested	Total Project Cost
LRC-101-A	Enhance Preserve and Protect the ND Lignite Industry	The Lignite Energy Council	3 Years	Coordinate research, environmental, legal, power market, and transmission initiatives to protect existing lignite facilities, advance new energy technologies, and support the long-term growth and competitiveness of North Dakota's lignite industry.	\$3,519,189	\$3,519,189
LRC-101-B	Lignite Resource Evaluation for Advanced Utilization Opportunities	Microbeam Technologies Inc.	3 Years	Characterize North Dakota lignite and associated sediments to identify and evaluate rare earth elements and critical minerals, supporting future resource recovery, selective mining, and on-site analysis technologies.	\$1,238,994.18	\$2,477,994.18