

Lignite Research Program- Grant Round 106- Application Summaries						
Application Number	Application Title	Applicant	Project Duration	Summary of Project	Funding Requested	Total Project Cost
LRC-106-A	Carbon Core, Rare Earth, and Critical Minerals (CORE-CM) Initiative- Phase II	Energy & Environmental Research Center (EERC)	36 Months	This Phase II project will expand the Williston Basin CORE-CM Initiative by advancing the development of rare earth elements, critical minerals, and carbon-based products from regional resources. The project will support resource assessment, data collection, stakeholder engagement, technology planning, and workforce development to strengthen domestic supply chains and create new economic opportunities in North Dakota.	\$1,500,000	\$3,830,000
LRC106-B	The Regulatory and Litigation Support for the ND Lignite Industry	Lignite Energy Council	24 Months	The Regulatory and Litigation Support Project will provide legal, technical, and policy support to help North Dakota's lignite industry address federal regulations affecting lignite-based power plants. The project will fund research, studies, modeling, and regulatory and litigation efforts to support reliable energy production and the long-term sustainability of the state's lignite industry.	\$1,325,000	\$1,325,000