

## **NORTH DAKOTA INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION RENEWABLE ENERGY COUNCIL**

### **Mission Statement**

**The mission of the Renewable Energy Council is to promote the growth of North Dakota's renewable energy industries through research, development, marketing, and education.**

### **Goals & Purposes**

- Promote efficient, economic and environmentally sound development and use of North Dakota's vast renewable energy resources, particularly in the areas of wind energy, biofuels (ethanol & biodiesel), biomass, advanced biofuels, and advanced energy technology.
- Create jobs related to the production and utilization of North Dakota's renewable energy resources.
- Ensure economic stability, growth and opportunity in the renewable energy industry.
- Encourage and promote the use of new technologies and ideas that will have a positive economic and environmental impact on renewable energy development and production in North Dakota.
- Promote public awareness of the benefits and opportunities provided by North Dakota's renewable energy industries.
- Add wealth for landowners and agriculture producers to build and maintain a robust rural economy.

### **Grant priority is to be given to those projects, processes, ideas, and activities which meet the following goals and objectives:**

- Generate information and knowledge that will have the highest probability of bringing new renewable energy companies and industry investment to North Dakota.
- Have the highest potential for creating new renewable energy jobs, wealth, and tax revenues for North Dakota.
- Most effectively educate the general public about the benefits and opportunities provided by the North Dakota renewable energy industry.
- Preserve existing jobs and production levels.
- Identify and develop renewable energy technologies presently not used in North Dakota.
- Maximize the market potential for renewable energy resources and the associated byproducts produced therewith.
- Encourage the development of new practices that will reduce adverse environmental impacts of renewable energy activities.
- Develop baseline information that will lead to other projects, processes, ideas, and activities.