

Grant Round Application for LRC LXXX (80)-A

TECHNICAL ADVISOR'S SUMMARY and RECOMMENDATION

LRC-LXXX (80)-A

***“Investigation of Rare Earth Element Extraction from North Dakota
Coal-Related Feedstocks ”***

Submitted by: University of North Dakota Institute for Energy Studies

Request for: \$94,000; Total Project Costs: \$936,847

Principal Investigator: Dr. Steve Benson.

Description of the Project:

The University of North Dakota Institute for Energy Studies is teaming with Barr Engineering and Pacific Northwest National Laboratory to determine the technical and economic feasibility of concentrating rare earth elements (REEs) from the reject streams of a North Dakota lignite drying process.

Technical Advisor's Recommendation: Fund

Fund subject to the following:

- Matching Funding received from all the parties
- Technical advisor participates in Advisory group

Conflict of Interest:

Great River Energy
North American Coal