RESEARCH GRANTS	Poor (0 – 6 Points)	Good (7 – 12 Points)	Very Good (13 – 19 pts)	Excellent (20 – 25 points)	Score
Scientific or Engineering Merit and Feasibility	Represents nationally competitive research project that **does not** advance scientific or engineering knowledge; **would not** attract non-state R&D funding; **probably would not** lead to other R&D important to Maine; **most likely would not** lead to new services or commercialization within five-years and addresses identified market need; strategies and approaches **do not** meet project goals	Represents nationally competitive research project that **may** advance scientific or engineering knowledge; **could** attract non-state R&D funding; **could** lead to other R&D important to Maine; **could** lead to new services or commercialization within five-years and addresses identified market need; strategies and approaches **somewhat** meet project goals	Represents nationally competitive research project that will **likely** advance scientific or engineering knowledge; **may** attract non-state R&D funding; **may** lead to other R&D important to Maine; has potential to lead to new services or commercialization within five-years and addresses identified market need; strategies and approaches meet project goals	Represents nationally competitive research project that will **greatly** advance scientific or engineering knowledge; will likely attract non-state R&D funding; will **likely** lead to other R&D important to Maine; has **great** potential to lead to new services or commercialization within five-years and addresses identified market need; strategies and approaches meet project goals	
Team and Institutional Merit/Commitment	Potential of producing a high quality deliverable is **poor**, based on qualifications of team; un**likely** that project will meet its objectives; quality of applicant organization's innovation program and record, and potential for productivity is **poor**	Potential of producing a high quality deliverable is **good**, based on qualifications of team; project **may** meet its objectives; quality of applicant organization's innovation program and record, and potential for productivity is **good**	Potential of producing a high quality deliverable is **very good**, based on qualifications of team; **likely** that project will meet its objectives; quality of applicant organization's innovation program and record, and potential for productivity is **very good**	Potential of producing a high quality deliverable is **excellent**, based on qualifications of team; **highly likely** that project will meet its objectives; quality of applicant organization's innovation program and record, and potential for productivity is **excellent**	
Relevance to Maine's Innovation Economy and Potential Impact Needs	Proposed activities **are not at all** linked to Maine's economy; likelihood of job creation, commercialization, licensing, technology, economic development, workforce training, internships, workforce development is **poor**	Proposed activities **loosely** linked to Maine's economy; likelihood of job creation, commercialization, licensing, technology, economic development, workforce training, internships, workforce development is **good**	Proposed activities **somewhat** linked to Maine's economy; likelihood of job creation, commercialization, licensing, technology, economic development, workforce training, internships, workforce development is **very good**	Proposed activities **intimately** linked to Maine's economy; likelihood of job creation, commercialization, licensing, technology, economic development, workforce training, internships, workforce development is **excellent**	
Collaboration	**Will not** enhance collaboration among research institutions and commercial entities appropriate for the project proposed; **will not** promote linkages between research, development and commercialization	**Could** enhance collaboration among research institutions and commercial entities appropriate for the project proposed; **may** promote linkages between research, development and commercialization	Will enhance collaboration among research institutions and commercial entities appropriate for the project proposed; **will likely** promote linkages between research, development and commercialization	Will **greatly** enhance collaboration among research institutions and commercial entities appropriate for the project proposed; will **significantly** promote linkages between research, development and commercialization	
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