

**ARDEF Rating Guide**  
Applications shall be evaluated on the following criteria.

**ARDEF Review Sheet**

Category: **Alabama Research and Development Enhancement Fund (ARDEF)** Reviewer: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Requested Award Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Proposed Match Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Requirements** Notes

The Applicant is an eligible entity.	Y <input type="checkbox"/> N <input type="checkbox"/>	
The Activity Category declared is eligible.	Y <input type="checkbox"/> N <input type="checkbox"/>	
The Executive Summary is complete.	Y <input type="checkbox"/> N <input type="checkbox"/>	
The proposed match amount meets or exceeds 50% of the total project cost.	Y <input type="checkbox"/> N <input type="checkbox"/>	
The Applicant is in partnership with a private sector entity.	Y <input type="checkbox"/> N <input type="checkbox"/>	

**Application Contents\* (100 possible points)** Points Score

Projected expenses are reasonable and cost effective. Budget is realistic with a detailed description of activity costs including basis for cost estimates. Award Amount request does not exceed fund's maximum grant amount. Indirect costs and administrative costs do not exceed 10% of the grant amount awarded.	Y <input type="checkbox"/> N <input type="checkbox"/>	<b><u>20</u></b>	
The Project Narrative details the proposed activities including methods for increased improved employment opportunities and products and services provided to citizens of Alabama.	Y <input type="checkbox"/> N <input type="checkbox"/>	<b><u>20</u></b>	
The industry partner provides a financial commitment, and its business practices have a positive impact on the economy of Alabama.	Y <input type="checkbox"/> N <input type="checkbox"/>	<b><u>10</u></b>	
The anticipated benefits and potential impacts are reasonably estimated. (Plans for sustainability and growth beyond the grant performance period will be evaluated.)	Y <input type="checkbox"/> N <input type="checkbox"/>	<b><u>20</u></b>	
The Project Narrative contains a <b>quantifiable</b> and <b>measurable</b> method for evaluating the activities.	Y <input type="checkbox"/> N <input type="checkbox"/>	<b><u>10</u></b>	
The Deliverables/Impacts consist of a detailed description of reporting.	Y <input type="checkbox"/> N <input type="checkbox"/>	<b><u>10</u></b>	
Applicant eligibility, qualifications and experience of the program staff are reflective of activity roles.	Y <input type="checkbox"/> N <input type="checkbox"/>	<b><u>10</u></b>	

**Total Points:**

<b><u>100</u></b>	
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- The Energy Division has the right to reject incomplete applications without review -  
 \*Criteria evaluated with a "Y" will be allotted a Score ranging from one (1) to the maximum points indicated