

MTI CLUSTER INITIATIVE PROGRAM (CIP) PROPOSAL EVALUATION SHEET

- **Goal:** To seed efforts that will stimulate and support the formation and growth of technology businesses and increase Maine’s capacity for research and development leading to commercialization in Maine’s technology-intensive sectors.
- **Reviewer Evaluation Sheet:** Please review the enclosed proposal. In Part One below, make a selection to the right of each described criteria. In Part Two, summarize strengths and weaknesses, and include questions, comments, or other items for discussion. Finally, based on your full review of the application, make your recommendation for an interview.
- **Weighting:** The nine evaluation criteria should be equally weighted in determining the recommendation for an interview.

CIP Proposal Number and Title:	
Applicable Cluster(s)	Amount Requested: \$
CRITERIA – Part One	
Strength of the applicant cluster(s) description including its mapping, stage assessment and statement as to the importance of the project to the cluster, and the cluster to Maine.	Very strong <input type="checkbox"/> Strong <input type="checkbox"/> Adequate <input type="checkbox"/>
Quality of the application information, including definition of the need for the project, the timelines/milestones and the statement of the project deliverables.	Very High <input type="checkbox"/> High <input type="checkbox"/> Acceptable <input type="checkbox"/>
Degree to which the proposed project will take advantage of, develop and advance technology and skills/knowledge within the applicable cluster(s).	High <input type="checkbox"/> Moderate <input type="checkbox"/> Low <input type="checkbox"/>
Degree to which innovation is a central aspect of the proposed project.	High <input type="checkbox"/> Moderate <input type="checkbox"/> Low <input type="checkbox"/>

<p>Caliber, experience and completeness of the Cluster Initiative Project team. Are the right collaborating organizations and people involved? How Strong is the envisioned collaboration likely to be, both during and after the project?</p>	<p>Very strong <input type="checkbox"/> Strong <input type="checkbox"/> Adequate <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>Scale, breadth and sustainability of the project activity, including on-going impact. Degree to which the results are quantifiable and measurable?</p>	<p>Very Strong <input type="checkbox"/> Strong <input type="checkbox"/> Adequate <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>Project's contribution to Maine's R&D and product deployment capacity.</p>	<p>Significant <input type="checkbox"/> Good <input type="checkbox"/> Fair <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>Appropriateness and completeness of the project budget, financial information, and the quality and amount of match funding.</p>	<p>Strong <input type="checkbox"/> Acceptable <input type="checkbox"/> Weak <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>Overall evaluation of the proposal based on key criteria.</p>	<p>Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> Good <input type="checkbox"/> Fair <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>NARRATIVE – Part Two</p>	
<p>Strengths:</p>	
<p>Weaknesses:</p>	
<p>Comments or Questions:</p>	

RECOMMENDED FOR INTERVIEW:

YES

NO