1. **Issue:** University of North Dakota (UND) has submitted a Stage II request to offer the Minor in Electrical Engineering, CIP Code 14.1001, via distance delivery and on-campus.

2. **Proposed actions:** Approve/deny the Stage II request of University of North Dakota (UND) to offer the Minor in Electrical Engineering, CIP Code 14.1001, via distance delivery and on-campus.

3. **Background information:** The University of North Dakota seeks the Board’s approval to establish a new Minor in Electrical Engineering. The program provides students in engineering majors other than Electrical Engineering with the multidisciplinary background that has shown to be a necessity.

4. **Financial implications:** The proposed minor will not require additional state funds as the courses are taught with current university faculty.

5. **Legal/policy issues:** State Board of Higher Education (SBHE) Policy 403.1 Program Approval states: “Board approval is required for all new programs of study that designate a focused collection of instructional/learning activities the completion of which signifies a level of competence which the awarding institution so designates by a notation on the front of the student transcript.”

6. **Academic issues:** No academic issues were raised at the March 8, 2017 Academic Affairs Council (AAC) meeting.

7. **Coordination:** On March 8, 2017, the AAC voted unanimously to recommend that the Stage II request for review by the Chancellor’s Cabinet and advance to the SBHE Academic and Student Affairs Committee/SBHE for approval/denial.

8. **Attachments:** The Stage II request is attached.

9. **Contact information:** Richard M. Rothaus, Ph.D., Vice Chancellor for Academic and Student Affairs, NDUS. Ph: 701-328-4136/email: richard.rothaus@ndus.edu.

10. **Chancellor’s recommendation:** Reviewed at the March 15, Chancellor’s Cabinet meeting. Chancellor recommends approval.