

November 19, 2007

Dear Cooperator:

If you wish to enter **one or more hybrids** in the Hybrid Corn Performance Trials, please indicate your intention with your identification and payment by March 15st, 2008. **Please, note the deadline for receiving seed and making changes is April 14, 2008.** Seed received on or after April 15 will not be included in our trials. In addition, changes made on or after April 15 will not be considered.

The Corn Project Leader, M. J. Carena, Department of Plant Sciences, North Dakota State University and North Dakota Agricultural Experiment Station, Fargo, ND 58105, agrees to evaluate the corn genotypes you submit for evaluation in comparison to all other entries submitted for each trial. Standard procedures for experimental design and statistical analyses will be used. The following data will be collected: Grain yield, grain moisture content at harvest, root and stalk lodging, plant population at harvest, and test weight. The cooperator agrees to provide accurate relative maturity (RM) of each hybrid entered following the maturity listed for each location. Incomplete and/or not clear information will not be accepted. Please, use a computer or typewriter to enter your information (e.g. email address, etc) and contact us if there is a change during the growing season.

The data for 2008 will be published in the Hybrid Corn Performance Trial Report. Each cooperator will be provided a reasonable number of copies of the report without charge. For your information the data for 2007 was summarized on the NDSU corn breeding website 1-2 days after harvest at the following address:

<http://www.ag.ndsu.nodak.edu/plantsci/breeding/corn/>

Data will always be reported first in this web address as soon as analyzed and submitted to NDSU additional NDSU web pages the project leader does not have direct access which might take longer time to be posted. Please, contact the project leader directly if more information is needed.

It is my intention to report data not only within locations but also combined among environments within regions in 2008 (southern, central, and northern North Dakota) so that we can evaluate the repeatability of your corn hybrids across locations. Therefore, I ask that you try to include your hybrids across locations within regions. **NOTE, AS OF NOV 15, 2007 I WILL REPLACE THE OAKES TRIAL BY SOUTHEASTERN NORTH DAKOTA LOCATIONS.**

Signed . . . Project Leader

COOPERATOR: PLEASE PRINT AND COMPLETE ATTACHED ENTRY SHEET, SIGN, PRINT, AND RETURN ONE COPY OF BOTH PAGES TO PROJECT LEADER.

This cooperator agrees to the stipulations above, and wishes to enter _____(no.) corn hybrids in the North Dakota Hybrid Corn Performance Trial at the locations indicated on the attached entry sheet, and is enclosing a check payable to **Department of Plant Sciences**, North Dakota State University for

\$ _____ in payment at \$200 per entry test with the addition of combined analyses per region **or**

\$ _____ in payment at \$500 for the same entry in three locations within a region

Signature

NAME AND ADDRESS OF COMPANY

To whom the Hybrid Corn

Performance Trial Results

Should be Submitted

