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Hybrids provide insect protection

FOR 2009, Syngenta Seeds is expanding its Agrisure corn hybrids lineup with 91 new corn hybrids, including 44 featuring the Agrisure 3000GT triple stack, the first triple stack with no history of yield drag.

Hybrids with the Agrisure 3000GT trait stack help growers launch maximum yield performance while providing the flexibility to choose management practices that fit their needs. Syngenta says that Agrisure 3000GT hybrids deliver exceptional protection against corn borer and corn rootworms, plus tolerance to in-season applications of either glyphosate herbicides such as Touchdown herbicide brands, or glufosinate herbicides such as Liberty or Ignite brands.

In addition, Agrisure 3000GT hybrids tap an advanced technology integration process to combine high-performance traits with elite genetics without yield drag. Testing showed that adding the Agrisure GT trait to Agrisure CB/LL/RW hybrids resulted in a 1.9-bushel-per-acre positive yield trend.

"We know that yield is what matters,"

says Tracy Mader, marketing manager for Agrisure Corn Traits. "We've taken great care in leveraging the science of trait integration technology with the art of plant breeding to produce hybrids built for yield. Knowing that Syngenta scientists have set rigorous standards and work with only elite genetics, growers can have complete confidence in their crop yield."

Agronomic characteristics

The new hybrids range from an early 72-day relative maturity to a late 118-day RM and feature agronomic characteristics, such as drought tolerance, fast dry down, exceptional stalk strength, great standability and disease tolerance, to help growers maximize yield.

The 91 new corn hybrids include 34 new Garst hybrids, 26 new Golden Harvest hybrids and 31 hybrids for NK.

For more information on Agrisure 3000GT corn hybrids, contact your local Garst seed adviser, Golden Harvest farmer-dealer or NK Seeds retailer.

Source: Syngenta Seeds

AgriEdge corn, soybean programs offer rewards

SYNGENTA says its 2009 AgriEdge corn, potato and soybean programs offer growers more rewards when they invest in agronomic solutions that can maximize yield.

AgriEdge programs offer incentives for growers who plant NK Brand soybeans with the Roundup Ready trait and Garst, Golden Harvest or NK Seeds corn hybrids with one or more Agrisure traits, and apply Syngenta Crop Protection products.

Early-season weed control is a major focus of the 2009 AgriEdge Corn Program, with an incentive of \$8.40 per unit (based on a planting rate of 2.8 acres per unit) available to growers who use Lumax, Lexar, Halex GT, Camix, Bicep II Magnum or Bicep Lite II Magnum residual herbicides on at least 36 units of corn hybrids that contain an Agrisure trait and Cruiser Extreme 250 or Cruiser Extreme 1250 seed treatment.

"Year in and year out, research demonstrates substantial yield advantages from minimizing early-season weed competition with preemergence herbicides in corn," says Pat Steiner, agribusiness corn lead for Syngenta. "We're expecting an even bigger benefit in 2009 given the above-average number of weeds that went to seed in 2008 due to weather-related herbicide delays and rain-fed weed flushes. Moving forward, we expect that preemergence herbicides



will continue to be valuable as problem weeds become more tolerant to post-applications of glyphosate."

Additional AgriEdge Corn Program incentives are available for using Touchdown Total, Touchdown HiTech or Callisto herbicides; Quilt fungicide; and/or Force 3G or Force CS insecticides.

A highlight of the AgriEdge Soybean Program is a \$5-per-unit incentive (based on a planting rate of 1.2 units per acre) specifically for growers who plant a minimum of 120 units of NK brand soybeans treated with a CruiserMaxx Beans brand insecticide/fungicide seed treatment.

Additional incentives are available for using Prefix preemergence herbicide, Touchdown Total or Touchdown HiTech glyphosate herbicides and/or Quadris fungicide.

Potato crop protection products include Crusier and Maxim 4FS, seed treatment insecticides; Platinum and Platinum Ridomil Gold, in-furrow insecticides; Actara, a foliar insecticide; and Quadris, Quadris opti, Omega and Bravo, which are foliar fungicides.

Consult the program use guide for complete information. Use guides are available from authorized dealers or crop protection retailers and may be downloaded from the Web at www.agriedge.com.

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