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Dear Mrs. Asparagus Applicant:

Thank you for your interest in running for the title of "Mrs. Asparagus 2008". Enclosed you will find an NAF Queen's Application and a brief outline of the events and activities Mrs. Asparagus will participate in during 2008. This outline is very general and may change as the year unfolds.

Just a reminder, each contestant is required to secure a sponsor. The Sponsorship fee is \$50 and is to be made payable to the National Asparagus Festival. The business or organization that has agreed to be your sponsor will receive publicity in newspapers, brochures and various other publications where your name would appear throughout your reign. If you should find it difficult in finding a sponsor, please let one of the Queen's Committee Members know and the NAF Board of Directors will try to help you locate a sponsor. Your contact on the Queen's Committee is Linda Jonseck (231-861-2276). You may also contact the NAF Hotline if you should have any questions at 231-861-8110.

The National Asparagus Festival Board of Directors has combined the NAF Queen's Banquet with other agricultural banquets to create the Oceana County Agricultural Banquet. The banquet will be held on Saturday, March 23, 2008 at the New Era Christian School in New Era. The Banquet will be a little different, but will still have the important event of crowning "Mrs. Asparagus 2008!" There will be a Queen's Meeting scheduled shortly before the Banquet for all Queen contestants, Queen's Committee Members and a few NAF Board Members. This meeting is designed to let you get acquainted with the other contestants and the NAF Board members, discuss the responsibilities of Mrs. Asparagus and her runner-up, provide you with an asparagus information packet and to answer any of your questions. Representatives from the local newspapers will be contacted to take pictures that will be featured in the newspapers the week before the banquet. Upon receiving your completed application and sponsor fee, the Queen's Committee Contact will let you know the final details for this meeting.

NAF Queen's Application deadline is March 1, 2008 and can be mailed to Linda Jonseck, Queen's Committee, 7029 W. Stony Lake Road, New Era, MI 49446.

We wish you the best of luck and look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Linda Jonseck
Queen's Committee Chairperson