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TO: Members of the Bean Improvement Cooperative - BIC

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**2008 Research Notes:** It is time to submit a **2-page report** for inclusion in the 2008 BIC Annual Report (Vol. 51). Research reports of *Phaseolus* species, research notes and other items should be submitted **electronically**, as an e-mail attachment to: **kellyj@msu.edu** by **March 14, 2008** for inclusion in the next annual BIC report (Volume 51). Only electronic copies will be accepted as we are now offering members the choice of a CD copy of the report. An original hard copy is **NOT** required. Notes should be of general interest to BIC members; thus local variety, fertilizer or other legume results are not suitable due to BIC space limitations.

- **Each BIC member** can submit **two**, **2-page** research reports, exclusive of news items, germplasm releases, or biennial meeting proceedings. [Additional 2-page reports may be submitted at the rate of U S \$25/report, with payment included.]
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- \* The 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Bean Improvement Cooperative was held in Madison Wisconsin where the Cooperative was originally formed in 1957. Presenters are reminded to submit oral and poster reports for publication in 2008 Annual Report.