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Qualifying farms, that make application, will receive an eyecatching colored sign to display near roadside.

Judging teams in each of Penn-

sylvania's 10 districts will select those farms which meet specified standards. Part of the judging process in Pennsylvania is the approval of milk quality, made by the farms milk handler.

Winning farms are rejudged each year in order to maintain the standards of excellence set by the

Paul Nichols, a local representative of American Dairy Association and Dairy Council Inc., from Kingston, said, "Attractive farms stimulate public support of the dairy industry.

Farms will also be judged in New York and New Jersey. Appli-

cations will be distributed in farm newspapers or by request from the American Dairy Association and Dairy Council, Inc., Tower Business Building, 239 Schuyler Avenue, Kingston, 18704-3378, or The Pennsylvania Dairy Promotion Program, 2301 North Cameron Street, Harrisburg, PA 17710.

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