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VERNON RESIDENT WINS \$1 MILLION IN TEXAS LOTTERY® SECOND-CHANCE DRAWING

(Austin) –Even before she knew it, Paula Bailey's friends in Vernon learned from the Texas Lottery® website that their pal won \$1 million in the *Mega Jumbo Bucks III* second-chance drawing. Her friends found her name on the winners' list.

"I was at work," Bailey said. "Almost everyone I know knew about it before I did."

Finding out from her friends about the win nearly knocked her over. "I'm a regular player and have been for years. I have used family birthdays on the online tickets and decided which scratch-offs to buy based on how many tickets are in a roll originally and how many remain. When my friends told me about this win, I got nervous and excited, but mostly I was shocked," Bailey said.

The \$1 million prize will be a savings boon for her family, Bailey said. "I'm saving most of this money for my children, but this will also help me get out of debt and buy a new vehicle."

"Ms. Bailey's name was selected in the third and last of the scheduled second-chance drawings for the *Jumbo Bucks III* suite of games," said Texas Lottery Commission Executive Director Gary Grief. "One more drawing remains and will be conducted approximately two weeks after the End-of-Game date for each game is announced."

Tonight's *Mega Millions*[®] jackpot is an estimated \$127 million. Tomorrow's *Lotto Texas*[®] jackpot is an estimated \$30 million, and the *Powerball*[®] jackpot is an estimated \$40 million. To learn more about the Texas Lottery, please visit the official website, www.txlottery.org.

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