

Texas Lottery Commission Press Release - March 22, 2002

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Houston Area \$13 Million *Lotto Texas* Jackpot Claimed

(Austin, March 22) - The Texas Lottery today paid Texzona Investments, Ltd., the first installment of the \$13 million *Lotto Texas* jackpot it won for the drawing on March 2. The managing partner is Penny Elkins.

The first annuity share paid today was in the amount of \$520,000. The remaining 24 payments in the same amount will be made on March 15 each year.

Handi Stop #19, 9721 Jones Road in Houston sold the winning ticket. The retailer is eligible to receive a one-percent bonus of \$130,000 for selling the jackpot-winning ticket. The claimant selected the winning numbers, 51—04—52—27—17—25.

Saturday's *Lotto Texas* jackpot is an estimated \$13 million.

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The Texas Lottery, the 4th largest selling lottery in North America, is "Focusing on the Future of Education, One Ticket At A Time." By providing the 'Games of Texas' for more than 10 years, the Texas Lottery Commission (TLC) has generated more than \$10 billion for the state and paid nearly \$17 billion to players in prizes. For more information about the TLC, please visit the official website at <http://www.txlottery.org>