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## **Record-Breaking \$429.6 Million POWERBALL Jackpot Winning Ticket Sold by New Jersey Lottery Retailer**

**TRENTON, NJ – (May 8, 2016)** – The New Jersey Lottery is thrilled to announce that the sole winning ticket of the May 7<sup>th</sup> POWERBALL drawing was purchased in the Garden State. The \$429.6 million jackpot winning ticket was sold in Mercer County and matched the 5 white balls and the POWERBALL in last night’s drawing. The retail location will not be disclosed until the appropriate security procedures are completed. It is anticipated that the name of the retail location will be disclosed by Monday, May 9<sup>th</sup>.

“Winning the Powerball jackpot is a life-changing event. Congratulations to the ticketholder(s) and to the retailer who sold it,” said Carole Hedinger, New Jersey Lottery executive director. “The winner and the retailer that sold this \$429.6 million winning ticket will be added to the national Lottery historical record. This is the seventh largest Powerball jackpot in history.” Hedinger continued, “We expect that the winner or winners will take their time before claiming the prize and consult with the appropriate professionals that can assist them in navigating these uncharted waters. Certainly though, we will be anxiously awaiting the phone call.”

**The winning numbers for the Saturday, May 7 drawing were: 05, 25, 26, 44, 66. The Red POWERBALL number was 09.** The POWERBALL jackpot resets to **\$40,000,000** for the next drawing to be held **Wednesday, May 11** at 11:00 pm. Watch live drawings on the New Jersey Lottery’s website ([NJLottery.net](http://NJLottery.net)) or on our Official Facebook Page.

Watch New Jersey Lottery drawings for the Pick-3, Pick-4, Jersey Cash 5, Pick-6, CASH4LIFE from the Lottery website homepage ([NJLottery.com](http://NJLottery.com)), or on the official Lottery Facebook Page. **Midday and evening draws, with the exception of CASH4LIFE, can be seen on WPIX-TV (PIX11) in New York and WPHL-TV (PHL17) in Philadelphia. Powerball and Mega Millions drawings can be seen on WABC-TV stations.**

### **ABOUT THE LOTTERY**

Since its inception in 1970, the New Jersey Lottery (NJLottery.com) has contributed nearly \$24 billion to the State in support of education and institutions. Among its beneficiaries are: veterans homes, colleges and universities, school nutrition programs, homes for the developmentally disabled, psychiatric hospitals, higher education scholarship programs and the Marie Katzenbach School for the Deaf.