# Maryland Lottery and Gaming Control Agency

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TO: Maryland Lottery and Gaming Commission

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SUBJECT: Report for the March 2025 Commission Meeting

## **A. AGENT ADMINISTRATION**

The following table presents retailer and terminal counts according to the Lottery's Agent Administration database.

Total Retailers				Total Retailer Terminals				XCAP Retailers (1)			
Date	Count	Date	Count	Date	Count	Date	Count	Date	Count	Date	Count
Current				Current				Current			
02/29/24	4,339	02/28/25	4,313	02/29/24	7,090	02/28/25	7,180	02/29/24	439	02/28/25	456
Quarterly Comparisons				Quarterly Comparisons				Quarterly			
03/31/23	4,365	03/31/24	4,338	03/31/23	7,067	03/31/24	7,106	03/31/23	432	03/31/24	442
06/30/23	4,354	06/30/24	4,316	06/30/23	7,063	06/30/24	7,059	06/30/23	439	06/30/24	451
09/30/23	4,351	09/30/24	4,313	09/30/23	7,068	09/30/24	7,150	09/30/23	443	09/30/24	450
12/31/23	4,350	12/31/24	4,307	12/31/23	7,078	12/31/24	7,148	12/31/23	437	12/31/24	449

<sup>(1)</sup> Expanded Cashing Authority Program (XCAP) locations are authorized to cash prizes of up to \$5,000. W2Gs for these winners are subsequently printed and mailed by CRC staff.

#### **B. CONTRACT MANAGEMENT**

- There are 1,985 full-service (PHD and PHDL) and 223 draw game-only (PEX) self-service terminals installed as of February 28, 2025.
- We continue working with Scientific Games on the April 2025 Mega Millions game changes. Testing is on schedule, and is a joint effort with the Lottery, Scientific Games and Spectra (ICS vendor).
- Enhanced disaster recovery features were successfully launched February 16, 2025.

## C. FACILITIES

• We launched a pilot program, along with Pollard and Scientific Games to partner with an alternative carrier to deliver a portion of our scratch ticket orders to retailers. Currently, the pilot has yielded positive results.

- Cross-training initiatives are ongoing with employees from the Instant Ticket and Support Services teams. They are being trained to back-up the Sales Warehouse operations which will lead to enhancing operational flexibility and efficiency.
- Progress is being made toward acquiring additional space to support the instant ticket warehouse and human resources operations and to accommodate the Agency's growth.
- Facilities continues to work with the Department of General Services (DGS) and building management on construction projects, renovations, and painting covered in our lease agreement. Painting commenced in January 2025, and continues.
- Surplus property disposals continue as Excess Property Declarations are approved by DGS.

## E. WAREHOUSE

The instant ticket warehouse is responsible for packing all of the instant tickets shipped to lottery retailers. Orders are placed through the Tel Sell operation, which is operated by our central system vendor. Once an order is placed, it is sent to the warehouse for fulfillment. Additionally, as each new instant game is launched, the majority of retailers receive an initial allocation of the new games to ensure the tickets are available across the State. Fulfilled orders are shipped via UPS and Falcon (pilot vendor) for next day delivery to retailer locations. In addition to filling the orders, the warehouse is responsible for monitoring both carriers to validate proper billing and timely delivery.

Warehouse Orders – January 2025									
# of Orders	# of Packs	YTD Orders	YTD Packs						
13,775	149,104	139,910	1,573,794						