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**Major Operational Milestone:**

*Mississippi Lottery Corporation Selects Gaming & Instant Ticket Vendor*

**JACKSON, MISS.** – The Mississippi Lottery Corporation (MLC) has selected a world-renowned vendor to provide two major lottery gaming services: a central gaming system that will generate tickets for computerized draw games and the printing service for instant scratch-off tickets. This is a major operational milestone for the MLC.

The MLC Board of Directors today approved entering into a contractual agreement with IGT Global Solutions Corporation (IGT). IGT will provide a central gaming system, telecommunications, retailer terminals, peripherals and other related services. In addition, they will design instant games, print tickets, provide warehousing, distribution and other related services.

The selection of IGT is a pivotal step in the MLC moving forward to provide Instant tickets and online drawing games such as Powerball® and Mega Millions®. The MLC anticipates sales for instant ticket games to begin no later than December 1, 2019, and online drawing games to begin in the first quarter of 2020.

“We are thrilled to have IGT on board with the MLC,” said MLC President Tom Shaheen. “Every lottery relies on vendors to provide their expertise and the necessary infrastructure to provide lottery products to the public. We look forward to partnering with them in our effort as we pursue our mission of raising funds for roads and bridges throughout Mississippi.”

*The Mississippi Lottery Corporation (MLC) was created in 2018 upon passage of the Alyce G. Clarke Mississippi Lottery Law, Senate Bill 2001. Governor Phil Bryant appointed the five-member Board of Directors on October 19, 2018, with the goal of having the first lottery tickets on sale during the fourth quarter of 2019. The MLC is a legislatively created corporation. Visit us online at [www.mslotteryhome.com](http://www.mslotteryhome.com).*

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