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\$100,000 Powerball Winner in St. Johnsbury

Winning ticket sold at Center Tower

BERLIN, VT; June 1, 2005---The Vermont Lottery announced today that Walter Briggs of St. Johnsbury Center won \$100,000 by matching five winning numbers in last Saturday's POWERBALL drawing. This is the second \$100,000 winning POWERBALL ticket sold in Vermont within the last three jackpot drawings.

Briggs purchased the winning ticket at Center Tower, St. Johnsbury Center. By using a combination of his and his wife's birthdays, he matched five winning numbers (5-7-24-28-39) for the \$100,000 prize. Briggs discovered his luck when his granddaughter told him that a winning ticket had been sold at Center Tower, followed by a call from his daughter with the winning numbers.

Briggs plays POWERBALL twice a week, three tickets per draw. He intends to buy a new car with some of his prize money, and to share some with family members as well. Briggs is available for interviews on a limited basis. Please contact Gweneth Dean of the Vermont Lottery for more information.

Vermont Lottery games are sold at over 700 agent locations throughout Vermont. For information on lottery games and on-line game draw results, visit www.vtlottery.com.

All profits from Vermont Lottery are used to support the Vermont Education Fund. Vermont Lottery officials encourage everyone to play responsibly.