

## **LBA Financial Audit Report Summary:**

### **New Hampshire Lottery Commission, Comprehensive Annual Financial Report For The Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2009**

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The New Hampshire Lottery Commission was established by the chapter laws of 1963 and became the first modern state-run lottery program. The Lottery's primary purpose has always been to raise revenue for the benefit of public education. The financial activities of the Lottery, as a department of the State of New Hampshire, are reported as an enterprise fund in the State's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report as well as in this separately issued report.

The Lottery operates both instant and on-line games for the purpose of funding state aid to education. As a member of two joint lottery ventures, the Tri-State Lotto Commission and the Multi-State Lottery Association, the Lottery offers a variety of games, including the Megabucks and Powerball games.

During fiscal year 2009, the Lottery's operating revenues were \$240 million, an 8.1% decrease from the prior year; gross profit margin was 31.8%, approximately the same as experienced during the prior year; and transfers to the State's Education Trust Fund were \$68.1 million, a decrease of 9.8% from the prior fiscal year.

We audited the financial statements of the Lottery as of and for the year ended June 30, 2009 and issued our unqualified report thereon dated December 15, 2009. A copy of the Lottery's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2009 may be obtained from the New Hampshire Lottery Commission, P.O. Box 1208, Concord, New Hampshire, 03302-1208.

A management letter dated December 15, 2009, a byproduct of the fiscal year 2009 audit of the Lottery, will be issued under a separate cover. A copy of the management letter will be accessible in its entirety on-line at [http://gencourt.state.nh.us/lba/financial\\_audit\\_list.html](http://gencourt.state.nh.us/lba/financial_audit_list.html) upon its acceptance and release by the Joint Fiscal Committee of the General Court.