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POWERBALL AGAIN REACHING RECORD JACKPOT LEVELS

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LITTLE ROCK— With the Thanksgiving eve Powerball jackpot drawing at \$359 million, Powerball officials say this represents the 11th -largest jackpot in Powerball history. The drawing on Wednesday, November 23, will be the 19th drawing without a jackpot winner since the recent \$246.8 million winner in Georgia in September. The world record jackpot was set in January by a Powerball jackpot run that reached \$1.586 billion and hit in Tennessee, California, and Florida.

About Powerball

Thousands of Arkansas players have been Powerball winners since the state started Powerball sales on October 31, 2009. Powerball itself began in April 1992 in 15 states with jackpots that started at a guaranteed \$2 million. Since then, Powerball has grown into one of the world's biggest and most recognizable lottery games, sold by 47 lotteries across the nation, with players buying more than \$4 billion in Powerball tickets each year.

About the Arkansas Scholarship Lottery

Since its inception in 2009, the Arkansas Scholarship Lottery has provided nearly \$700 million for in-state college scholarships to Arkansas students, nearly \$2 billion in prizes to players, and more than \$178 million in commissions to Lottery retailers. More than 92 cents of every dollar of Lottery revenue goes to prizes, scholarships, retailer commissions and other expenses in Arkansas.

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