

## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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### **TATTSLOTTO BUSHFIRE BENEFIT DRAW ANNOUNCED**

Tatts Group Limited today announced that a dedicated lotto draw, the **Tattslotto Bushfire Benefit Draw**, will be held on Saturday 21 February 2009.

All of Tatts' proceeds from the Tattslotto Bushfire Benefit Draw will be directed into the Alfred Hospital Burns Unit and the Victorian Government share will go to the Victorian health system.

Tatts Lotteries Chief Executive, Mr Bill Thorburn, said that the devastation of the bushfires had touched all Victorians including families of Tatts lottery agents that have been directly affected by the fires.

"On behalf of Tatts, I would like to extend our deepest sympathies to all people who have suffered as a result of this devastating natural disaster. The bushfires have left a path of death and destruction over regional Victoria and hundreds of survivors requiring hospitalisation and specialised medical treatment.

Mr Thorburn said that the total normal Saturday Tattslotto proceeds are in the region of \$3.5 million, but the final amount of money raised will ultimately depend on the number of Victorians who purchase entries in the Tattslotto Bushfire Benefit Draw (2879).

The Alfred Hospital's Chief Executive Officer Ms Jennifer Williams said, "The Alfred Hospital is overwhelmed by the outstanding generosity of Tatts. The money raised from this Tattslotto Bushfire Benefit Draw will help treat burns patients from the bushfires.

This money will enable the hospital to redevelop the Unit into a state-of-the-art facility with the latest initiatives for the care of burns patients, infection control, patient privacy and quality of nursing care.

Tatt's support of The Alfred spans a considerable time and we are grateful for their continuing interest which has made a significant impact on patient care."

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Tickets in the **Tattslotto Bushfire Benefit Draw** are available at all Tattersall's Lotteries outlets or on-line.

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