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HERTFORDSHIRE AND WEST ESSEX NHS CONTRACT IN UK

Sonic Healthcare Limited ('Sonic') (ASX: SHL ; ADR: SKHHY) is pleased to announce that its UK subsidiary, Health Services Laboratories (HSL), has signed the contract to provide pathology services for the National Health Service (NHS) Hertfordshire and West Essex Integrated Care System (ICS).

HSL is Sonic's joint venture with the Royal Free London NHS Foundation Trust and University College London Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust.

Under the contract HSL will operate and modernise pathology services across three NHS trusts, including hospitals and 250 GP and community health practices. HSL will be responsible for delivering over 20 million tests per year for a population of 1.6 million people over the 15-year contract commencing in early CY 2025.

Working closely with the laboratory teams and clinical leads across the ICS, HSL will be investing in new and upgraded facilities (including a new hub laboratory) and IT systems to future proof testing services for patients.

Patients under the care of Princess Alexandra NHS Trust, East and North Hertfordshire NHS Trust, West Hertfordshire NHS Trust, and all associated GP and community practices, will benefit from an improved more resilient service using state of the art facilities.

Sonic's CEO, Dr Colin Goldschmidt said: "We are delighted to be working with the Hertfordshire and West Essex Integrated Care System and look forward to providing leading-edge pathology services to clinicians and patients at optimum quality and efficiency levels. Our well-established Medical Leadership culture is ideally suited to the special needs of our NHS partners and I am confident that HSL, with the full support of Sonic's global resources, will add value and serve to deliver significant benefits to all stakeholders into the future".

Whilst providing substantial growth and being an important strategic step for Sonic Healthcare in the UK, the contract is not considered to be material for Sonic Healthcare Limited. This announcement has been authorised by Sonic's Managing Director. For further information regarding this announcement, please contact:

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