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Acquisition of certain Healthscope Australian Pathology Businesses

Sonic Healthcare Limited ("Sonic") (SHL.AX) notes that the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission ("ACCC") has produced a Statement of Issues in relation to Sonic's proposed acquisition of Healthscope's pathology businesses in NSW/ACT, Queensland and Western Australia. As a result settlement of the transaction is now expected to occur in September 2012.

Sonic continues to work cooperatively with the ACCC to assist them to understand the nature of competition in the Australian pathology market.

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