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## Termination of part of Healthscope pathology acquisition

Sonic Healthcare Limited ("Sonic") (SHL.AX) advises that it has agreed with Healthscope to terminate the transaction to acquire the Healthscope pathology business in NSW/ACT, due to the time elapsed since the transaction was announced.

Sonic will continue to work co-operatively with the ACCC to obtain approval for the Queensland and Western Australia transactions, but is unable to specify a likely completion date. The total purchase price (cash and debt free) for these two transactions is \$47 million.

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