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### **Acquisition of certain Healthscope pathology businesses**

Sonic Healthcare Limited ("Sonic") (SHL.AX) advises that it has received approval from the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission ("ACCC") to acquire the Western Australian pathology business of Healthscope. This business has annualised revenue of more than A\$20 million, and Sonic will pay a cash purchase price of A\$18 million (cash & debt free, and subject to closing adjustments). Settlement is expected to occur on 18 October 2012.

The ACCC has advised that it will not approve the acquisition of Healthscope's Queensland pathology business. Sonic and Healthscope are considering the ACCC's decision.

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