

PRESS RELEASE

AbbVie Files Form 8-K

NORTH CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, U.S.A., July 18, 2014 — AbbVie Inc. ("AbbVie") (NYSE / CHX / Euronext Paris / SIX: ABBV) today informs its stockholders that it has filed a Current Report on Form 8-K with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") announcing that it issued an announcement (the "Announcement") pursuant to Rule 2.7 of the U.K. City Code on Takeovers and Mergers disclosing, among other things, that the boards of AbbVie and Shire plc had agreed on the terms of a recommended combination of Shire with AbbVie.

AbbVie makes available free of charge on its website, its Annual Report on Form 10-K, Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q, Current Reports on Form 8-K, reports filed pursuant to Section 16 of the U.S. Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and amendments to those reports filed with or furnished to the SEC as soon as reasonably practicable after AbbVie electronically files these documents with, or furnishes them to, the SEC. These documents are posted on AbbVie's website at www.abbvieinvestor.com.

The SEC maintains a website that contains reports, proxy statements and other information regarding issuers that file electronically with the SEC. These materials may be obtained electronically by accessing the SEC's home page at http://www.sec.gov.

Copies of the above referenced information will also be made available, free of charge, upon written request to AbbVie Inc., Investors Relations, 1 North Waukegan Road, North Chicago, Illinois 60064, U.S.A.

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