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Shire plc

Statement re: waiver of notice of AbbVie's Board meeting

Shire plc announces that, in order to allow the period of uncertainty for its shareholders, employees and other stakeholders to be reduced, it has agreed to waive the requirement for three business days' notice for AbbVie's Board to meet to consider its recommendation of the offer for Shire.

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