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Abbott UK Rated 'Outstanding' Place to Work

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MAIDENHEAD, Berkshire, 11 March 2008 - Abbott has been recognised as one of the best places to work in the UK, earning a "Two Star Status" (Outstanding) in the Best Companies Accreditation scheme for 2008 by Best Companies, a nationally-recognised and independent workplace engagement consultancy. Abbott is just one of 117 UK organisations to attain the rating this year.

Designed to acknowledge corporate excellence in employee engagement, recognition by the Best Companies Accreditation is based on what staff think about their organisation – including leadership, staff culture, work-life balance, personal development as well as pay and benefits.

"This is a fantastic accolade, made all the more meaningful as it reflects what our employees think about working at Abbott," said Jeff Stewart, general manager, Abbott International - UK.

Over the last year, Abbott in the UK has received a number of "Best Employer" recognitions, including being named "Employer of the Year" by the Royal Borough of Windsor & Maidenhead, retaining its "Investors in People" accreditation for the eleventh consecutive year, and now earning this prestigious Best Companies rating.

Abbott is regarded as one of the world's premier employers and has received numerous workplace awards across the globe. Abbott is committed to providing a work environment that enables all employees to succeed in their careers and personal lives.

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About Best Companies Accreditation

The Best Companies Accreditation was established by workplace engagement specialists, Best Companies, to acknowledge corporate excellence in the workplace. The accreditation focuses on workplace engagement as an integral component of an organisation's success and growth.

The 'Michelin style,' elite accreditation system recognises organisations with One, Two, or Three Star status. One Star is acknowledged as First Class, Two as Outstanding and Three as Extraordinary. For more information, go to www.bestcompanies.co.uk.

About Abbott

Abbott UK is headquartered in Maidenhead, Berkshire, and currently employs more than 2,000 staff nationwide.

Abbott is a global, broad-based health care company devoted to the discovery, development, manufacture and marketing of pharmaceuticals and medical products, including nutritionals, devices and diagnostics. The company employs 65,000 people and markets its products in more than 130 countries.

More information is available on the company's UK website at www.abbott.co.uk.

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