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Abbott Retains Investors in People Standard for Eleventh Year Running

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MAIDENHEAD, Berkshire, 3 July 2007 - Abbott announced today that Investors in People has recognised Abbott for the 11th consecutive year for the company's ongoing commitment to staff training and development.

“People are Abbott’s most important asset, and we’re delighted that Investors in People has once again recognised our efforts in developing and empowering staff,” said a spokesperson for Abbott. “With the training, recognition and appraisal processes now in place, we will continue to develop as a people-focused business and a great place to work.”

Having joined the Investors in People scheme in 1996, Abbott is re-evaluated every three years to ensure it continues to meet the Investors in People Standard, a nationally recognized scheme to support business improvement through employee development. This latest assessment involved a review of Abbott’s employee training, development and appraisal processes as well as interviews with staff at the company’s Maidenhead and Queenborough sites.

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 maintain a healthy balance in their work and personal lives.

About Investors in People Standard

Established in 1990, the Standard helps organisations to improve performance and realise objectives through the management and development of their people.

For more information, please go to www.investorsinpeople.co.uk

About Abbott

Abbott UK is headquartered in Maidenhead, Berkshire, and currently employs 2,500 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 web site at www.abbottuk.com

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