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April 2, 2013

Mr. Miles D. White
Chief Executive Officer, Abbott Laboratories
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Attention: Mr. Miles D. White

Dear Mr. White,

SUBJECT: Public Citizen calls on Abbott Laboratories to follow the lead of the Medicines Patent Pool

Please find enclosed Public Citizen's press release concerning the Medicines Patent Pool's recent licensing agreement with ViiV Healthcare on existing and pipeline pediatric HIV drugs. Broad licenses that include open, pro-competitive terms are essential for reducing costs, expanding access to needed treatments and saving lives. We strongly urge you follow the lead of the Medicines Patent Pool toward improving treatment options for children and adults living with HIV and the eventual achievement of an AIDS-free generation. We thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



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