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Company Announcements Office
Australian Stock Exchange Limited
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Dear Sirs

Sonic Healthcare Limited (**Sonic**) is pleased to announce that the Federal Court of Australia has today made orders approving the schemes of arrangement between Sonic and its shareholders and Sonic and its optionholders to effect the 'spin-out' of the majority of Sonic's shareholding in SciGen Ltd.

Yours sincerely

Paul Alexander
Company Secretary