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The shareholder proponents of the Incentive Compensation Compliance Costs shareholder proposal (Item 6 on Proxy Card) set forth in Abbott s Notice of Annual Meeting of Shareholders and Proxy Statement for the 2014 Annual Meeting of Shareholders to be held on Friday, April 25, 2014, have withdrawn the proposal. Shareholders will not be asked to vote on the proposal at the Annual Meeting.