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Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE TO
Tender Offer Statement under Section 14(d)(1) or 13(e)(1)
of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

AbbVie Inc.

(Name of Subject Company (Issuer))

AbbVie Inc.

(Names of filing Persons (Offeror and Issuer))

Common Stock, Par Value \$0.01 per share
(Title of Class of Securities)

00287Y109

(CUSIP Number of Class of Securities)
(Underlying Common Stock)

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CALCULATION OF FILING FEE

TRANSACTION VALUATION

\$7,500,000,000*

AMOUNT OF FILING FEE

\$933,750**

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Estimated for purposes of calculating the Filing Fee only. This amount is based on the offer to purchase for not more than \$7,500,000,000 in aggregate of up to 75,757,575 shares of Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share, at the minimum tender offer price of \$99.00 per share.

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The Filing Fee is calculated in accordance with Rule 0-11(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and equals \$124.50 for each \$1,000,000 of the value of the transaction.

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Check the box if any part of the fee is offset as provided by Rule 0-11(a)(2) and identify the filing with which the offsetting fee was previously paid. Identify the previous filing by registration statement number, or the Form or Schedule and the date of its filing.

Amount Previously Paid: \$11,252,203.98
Form or Registration No.: Registration Statement on Form S-4
Filing Party: AbbVie Private Limited, a wholly owned subsidiary of AbbVie Inc.
Date Filed: August 21, 2014

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Check the box if the filing relates solely to preliminary communications made before the commencement of a tender offer.

Check the appropriate boxes below to designate any transactions to which the statement relates:

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Third-party tender offer subject to Rule 14d-1.

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Issuer tender offer subject to Rule 13e-4.

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Going-private transaction subject to Rule 13e-3.

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Amendment to Schedule 13D under Rule 13d-2.

Check the following box if the filing is a final amendment reporting the results of the tender offer: o

If applicable, check the appropriate box(es) below to designate the appropriate rule provision(s) relied upon:

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Rule 13e-4(i) (Cross-Border Issuer Tender Offer)

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Rule 14d-1(d) (Cross-Border Third-Party Tender Offer)

SCHEDULE TO

This Tender Offer Statement on Schedule TO (the "Schedule TO") relates to the tender offer by AbbVie Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), to purchase for cash up to \$7,500,000,000 of its common stock, \$0.01 par value per share (the "shares"), at a price per share of not less than \$99.00 and not more than \$114.00 in cash, without interest and subject to any applicable withholding taxes. The Company's offer is being made upon the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in the Offer to Purchase, dated May 1, 2018 (as amended or supplemented from time to time, the "Offer to Purchase"), a copy of which is filed herewith as Exhibit (a)(1)(i), and in the accompanying Letter of Transmittal (as amended or supplemented from time to time, the "Letter of Transmittal"), a copy of which is filed herewith as Exhibit (a)(1)(ii), which together constitute the "tender offer". Additional documents relating to the tender offer are filed as Exhibits (a)(1)(iii), (a)(1)(iv), (a)(1)(v) and a(1)(vi). The information contained in the Offer to Purchase and the Letter of Transmittal is incorporated herein by reference in response to all of the items of this Schedule TO as more particularly described below.

Item 1. Summary Term Sheet.

Reference is made to the information set forth under "Summary Term Sheet" in the Offer to Purchase, which is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 2. Subject Company Information.

- (a) The name of the issuer is AbbVie Inc. The address and telephone number of the Company is set forth under Item 3.
- (b) Reference is made to the information set forth under "Introduction" in the Offer to Purchase, which is incorporated herein by reference.
- (c) Reference is made to the information set forth in the Offer to Purchase under Section 8 ("Price Range of Shares; Dividends"), which is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 3. Identity and Background of Filing Person.

The Company is the filing person. The address of its principal executive office is 1 North Waukegan Road, North Chicago, Illinois 60064-6400 and its telephone number is (847) 932-7900. Its internet address is www.abbvie.com. Unless expressly stated otherwise, the information contained on our website or connected to our website is not incorporated by reference into this Schedule TO and should not be considered part of this Schedule TO. Reference is made to the information set forth in the Offer to Purchase under Section 11 ("Interest of Directors and Executive Officers; Transactions and Arrangements Concerning the Shares"), which is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 4. Terms of the Transaction.

(a) Reference is made to the information set forth in the Offer to Purchase under the following headings, with such information being incorporated herein by reference:

Summary Term Sheet;

Introduction;

Section 1 ("Number of Shares; Proration");

Section 2 ("Purpose of the Tender Offer; Certain Effects of the Tender Offer");

Section 3 ("Procedures for Tendering Shares");

Section 4 ("Withdrawal Rights");

Section 5 ("Purchase of Shares and Payment of Purchase Price");

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Section 6 ("Conditional Tender of Shares");

Section 7 ("Conditions of the Tender Offer");

Section 11 ("Interest of Directors and Executive Officers; Transactions and Arrangements Concerning the Shares");

Section 13 ("Material U.S. Federal Income Tax Consequences"); and

Section 14 ("Extension of the Tender Offer; Termination; Amendment").

(b) Reference is made to the information set forth under "Introduction" and under Section 11 ("Interest of Directors and Executive Officers; Transactions and Arrangements Concerning the Shares") in the Offer to Purchase, which is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 5. Past Contacts, Transactions, Negotiations and Agreements.

Reference is made to the information set forth under Section 11 ("Interest of Directors and Executive Officers; Transactions and Arrangements Concerning the Shares") in the Offer to Purchase, which is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 6. Purposes of the Transaction and Plans or Proposals.

(a), (b) and (c) Reference is made to the information set forth under "Summary Term Sheet," under Section 2 ("Purpose of the Tender Offer; Certain Effects of the Tender Offer") and under Section 11 ("Interest of Directors and Executive Officers; Transactions and Arrangements Concerning the Shares") in the Offer to Purchase, which is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 7. Source and Amount of Funds or Other Consideration.

(a), (b) and (d) Reference is made to the information set forth under Section 9 ("Source and Amount of Funds") in the Offer to Purchase, which is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 8. Interest in Securities of the Subject Company.

(a) and (b) Reference is made to the information set forth under Section 11 ("Interest of Directors and Executive Officers; Transactions and Arrangements Concerning the Shares") in the Offer to Purchase, which is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9. Persons/Assets, Retained, Employed, Compensated or Used.

Reference is made to the information set forth under "Summary Term Sheet" and under Section 15 ("Fees and Expenses") in the Offer to Purchase, which is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 10. Financial Statements.

Not applicable.

Item 11. Additional Information.

(a) Reference is made to the information set forth under Section 2 ("Purpose of the Tender Offer; Certain Effects of the Tender Offer"); under Section 10 ("Certain Information Concerning Us"), under Section 11 ("Interest of Directors and Executive Officers; Transactions and Arrangements Concerning the Shares") and under Section 12 ("Legal Matters; Regulatory Approvals") in the Offer to Purchase, which is incorporated herein by reference. To the knowledge of the Company, no material legal proceedings relating to the tender offer are pending.

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(c) Reference is made to the information set forth in the Offer to Purchase and the accompanying Letter of Transmittal, copies of which are filed with this Schedule TO as Exhibits (a)(1)(i) and (a)(1)(ii), respectively, as each may be amended or supplemented from time to time, which is incorporated herein by reference.

The Company will amend this Schedule TO to include documents that the Company may file with the SEC after the date of the Offer to Purchase pursuant to Sections 13(a), 13(c), or 14 of the Exchange Act and prior to the expiration of the Tender Offer to the extent required by Rule 13e-4(d)(2) of the Exchange Act.

Item 12. Exhibits.

| EXHIBIT NUMBER | DESCRIPTION |
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| (a)(1)(i)* | Offer to Purchase, dated May 1, 2018. |
| (a)(1)(ii)* | Form of Letter of Transmittal. |
| (a)(1)(iii)* | Notice of Guaranteed Delivery. |
| (a)(1)(iv)* | Letter to brokers, dealers, commercial banks, trust companies and other nominees, dated May 1, 2018. |
| (a)(1)(v)* | Letter to clients for use by brokers, dealers, commercial banks, trust companies and other nominees, dated May 1, 2018. |
| (a)(1)(vi)* | Summary Advertisement, dated May 1, 2018. |
| (a)(2) | None. |
| (a)(3) | Not applicable. |
| (a)(4) | Not applicable. |
| (a)(5)(i) | Press release, dated April 26, 2018 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.1 of AbbVie's Current Report on Form 8-K filed on April 26, 2018). |
| (a)(5)(ii) | Earnings call transcript, dated April 26, 2018 (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.1 of AbbVie's Schedule TO-C filed on April 26, 2018). |
| (a)(5)(iii)* | Press release announcing the Tender Offer, dated May 1, 2018. |
| (b)(i) | Not applicable. |
| (d)(i) | Form of Agreement Regarding Change in Control by and between AbbVie Inc. and its named executive officers (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.13 of Amendment No. 5 to the Company's Registration Statement on Form 10 filed on November 16, 2012). |
| (d)(ii) | AbbVie 2013 Incentive Stock Program (incorporated by reference to Exhibit A to the AbbVie Inc. Definitive Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A dated March 15, 2013). |
| (d)(iii) | AbbVie Performance Incentive Plan, as amended and restated (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.4 of the company's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed on February 19, 2016). |
| (d)(iv) | AbbVie Non-Employee Directors' Fee Plan, as amended and restated (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.6 of the company's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed on February 19, 2016). |
| (d)(v) | Form of AbbVie Inc. Non-Employee Director Non-Qualified Stock Option Agreement (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.3 of the company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended March 31, 2013). |
| (d)(vi) | Form of AbbVie Inc. Performance Restricted Stock Agreement (CEO/Chairman) (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.4 of the company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended March 31, 2013). |
| (d)(vii) | Form of AbbVie Inc. Performance Restricted Stock Agreement (Annual) (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.5 of the company's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended March 31, 2013). |

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- (d)(xxiv) Stemcentrx 2011 Equity Incentive Plan (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 4.3 of the Company's Registration Statement on Form S-8 filed on June 16, 2016).
- (g) Not applicable.
- (h) Not applicable.
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Filed herewith

Item 13. Information Required by Schedule 13E-3.

Not applicable.

SIGNATURE

After due inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated: May 1, 2018

ABBVIE INC.

By: /s/ WILLIAM J. CHASE

Name: William J. Chase

Title: *Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer*

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