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Boston Scientific Commends Congress on Passage of Bill Reauthorizing Medical Device User Fees

NATICK, Mass., June 26, 2012 /PRNewswire/ -- Boston Scientific Corporation (NYSE: BSX) welcomes final passage today by the United States Senate of "The Food and Drug Administration Safety and Innovation Act." The bill reauthorizes medical device user fees negotiated as part of a comprehensive agreement between the medical device industry and the FDA, and includes other significant policy reforms. This critical legislation sets important accountability, transparency and efficiency expectations of the FDA medical device review process.

"This bill provides for the opportunity to accelerate the introduction of innovative medical devices without compromise to patient safety," said Hank Kucheman, chief executive officer at Boston Scientific. "We are hopeful that these reforms will have a strong and lasting impact on the FDA's ability to address lengthening review times, spur innovation and promote faster patient access to new therapies. We appreciate the collective effort undertaken by Chairman Harkin, Senator Enzi, Chairman Upton and Congressman Waxman to speed this important bipartisan bill through Congress. We look forward to working with the FDA on the implementation of the bill."

About Boston Scientific

Boston Scientific is a worldwide developer, manufacturer and marketer of medical devices that are used in a broad range of interventional medical specialties. For more information, please visit: www.bostonscientific.com.

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