Boston Scientific Announces European Approval for Its LATITUDE® Patient Management System

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NATICK, Mass., July 13 /<u>PRNewswire-FirstCall</u>/ -- Boston Scientific Corporation (NYSE: BSX) today announced CE Mark for its LATITUDE® Patient Management system. The LATITUDE system remotely monitors patients with implantable cardiac devices, gathering information on both the device and a patient's heart health status. The system can also detect clinical events between scheduled physician visits and send relevant data directly to a patient's physician. It will be launched in Europe in a phased approach beginning this week.

"The wireless LATITUDE system will enable me to more closely monitor my patients while helping manage hospital workflow," said Konstantin M. Heinroth, M.D., Department of Medicine, Martin Luther University Halle-Wittenberg, Halle, Germany. "I hope to provide my patients added convenience and the peace of mind that comes from knowing both their device and heart health status can be monitored."

"Boston Scientific has enrolled more than 130,000 patients on the LATITUDE system since its introduction in the U.S. in 2006, making it the most rapidly adopted remote cardiac device monitoring system in the industry(1)," said Fred Colen, President, Boston Scientific Cardiac Rhythm Management. "We expect continued success as we introduce the demonstrated benefits of our LATITUDE system to patients and physicians in Europe. Remote monitoring technology provides a significant opportunity to further improve patient care."

The LATITUDE system provides physicians actionable information that enables them to see changes in their patients' cardiac health sooner than regularly scheduled follow-up visits. LATITUDE is the only remote cardiac device monitoring system to offer a wireless weight scale and blood pressure monitor, both of which are recommended by the European Society of Cardiology for the management of Class I heart failure patients.

The international version of the LATITUDE system is compatible with the Company's wireless TELIGEN® implantable cardioverter defibrillator (ICD) and COGNIS® cardiac resynchronization therapy defibrillator (CRT-D), the world's smallest and thinnest high-energy devices.

The first enrollments of European patients onto the LATITUDE system were performed by J.H. Ruiter, M.D., Medisch Centrum Alkmaar, Alkmaar, The Netherlands, and Peter Mortensen, M.D., Chief Physician, SkejbyUniversityHospital, Aarhus, Denmark.

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

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(1) Data based on number of patients at three years post-launch. Data on file.

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