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Dear Madam

COMMENTS ON IAASB EXPOSURE DRAFT PROPOSED ISA 810 (REVISED) ENGAGEMENTS TO REPORT ON SUMMARY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

We thank you for the opportunity to comment.

The Audit Oversight Board, Malaysia, (AOB) supports the efforts of the International Auditing and Assurance Standards Board (IAASB) in enhancing auditor reporting on summary financial statements in alignment with the enhanced requirements of the new and revised Auditing Reporting standards.

In this regard, the AOB has no objection to the proposals outlined in the exposure draft and wishes to share that the financial services industry in Malaysia is required to publish abridged financial statements in the approved local daily newspapers in accordance with the Bank Negara Malaysia (Central Bank of Malaysia) Guidelines on Financial Reporting (BNM/RH/STD 032-5).

However, the AOB wishes to highlight the following:

(a) Communication of Key Audit Matters (KAM)

Para 16 of ISA 701 *Communicating Key Audit Matters in the Independent Auditor's Report* states that if the auditor determines, depending on the facts and circumstances of the entity and the audit, that there are no key audit matters (KAM) to communicate or that the only KAM communicated are those matters addressed by Para 15 of ISA 701, the auditor shall include a statement to this effect in a separate section of the auditor's report under the heading "Key Audit Matters".

In this respect, the AOB recommends that if applicable, such statement should be reproduced in the auditor's report on summary financial statements.

(b) Availability of audited financial statements

The AOB wishes to emphasise the importance of making the audited financial statements available to the intended users of the summary financial statements, in particular where KAM has been communicated in the auditor's report. This is in view of the new Para A15 in the proposed ISA 810 (Revised) which states that the auditor is not required to describe the individual KAM in the auditor's report on summary financial statements.

Should you require any further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact Lim Fen Nee at +603 2091 0608 or at her email FNlim@seccom.com.my.

Thank you.

Yours sincerely

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