#### **APPENDIX 2**

# AMENDMENTS RELATING TO DISCLOSURE, CORPORATE GOVERNANCE, FUTURE FINANCIAL INFORMATION, SCMA AND CMSA

# **ACE Market Listing Requirements**

#### **CHAPTER 1 DEFINITIONS AND INTERPRETATION**

## **PART A - DEFINITIONS**

#### 1.01 **Definitions**

In these Requirements, unless the context otherwise requires –

auditor means an auditor who is registered as a registered auditor or

recognized as a recognized auditor under section 310 of the

Securities Commission Malaysia Act 1993.

**Audit Oversight Board** means the body established under section 31C of the Securities

Commission Malaysia Act 1993.

means the Central Bank of Malaysia established under the Central Bank Negara Malaysia

Bank of Malaysia Act 2009.

means a firm of public accountants that is registered with the Audit reporting accountants

Oversight Board and the registration has not been suspended.

SC means the Securities Commission Malaysia established under section

3 of the Securities Commission Malaysia Act 1993.

securities laws means -

> <u>(a)</u> the Securities Commission Malaysia Act 1993;

(b) the CMSA;

the Securities Industry (Central Depositories) Act 1991;

any other legislation which the SC is empowered to (d) administer or enforce; and

any other regulations, rules, orders, notifications or other subsidiary legislation made under sub-Rules (a), (b), (c) and

(d) above; or

in the case of a foreign corporation, means sub-Rules (a) to (e) above and any law outside Malaysia relating to the capital market.

[End of Chapter 1]

#### CHAPTER 2 GENERAL

# **PART D - INFORMATION**

# 2.19A Financial estimate, forecast and projection

- (1) Where a circular or any document submitted to the Exchange contains reference to financial estimate, forecast or projection, the listed corporation and its Sponsor or Adviser (if appointed), as the case may be, must comply with Chapters 12 and 13 in Part I, Division 1 of the SC's Prospectus Guidelines in relation to future financial information when preparing and disclosing such financial estimate, forecast or projection.
- (2) The listed corporation must also ensure that the external auditors or reporting accountants, as the case may be, review and report on the underlying accounting policies and assumptions relied on in the preparation of the financial estimate, forecast or projection in accordance with Chapters 12 and 13 in Part I, Division 1 of the SC's Prospectus Guidelines in relation to future financial information.

[End of Chapter 2]

## CHAPTER 6 NEW ISSUES OF SECURITIES

## **APPENDIX 6B**

## Part A

Contents of circular in relation to a new issue of securities (Rules 6.09(1) and 6.54(1))

- (1) (34) [No change].
- (35) An appendix containing the following information:
  - (a) (c) [no change];
  - (d) a statement that from the date of the circular until the date of the general meeting the following documents (or copies of the documents) may be inspected at the registered office of the listed corporation:
    - (i) (vi) [no change];
    - (vii) the <a href="mailto:profitfinancial">profitfinancial</a> estimate, <a href="mailto:and/or-forecast\_or projection">and/or-forecast\_or projection</a>, as the <a href="mailto:case\_may\_be">case\_may\_be</a>, together with the auditors' letter (if provided);
    - (viii) (xi) [no change].
- (36) [No change].

[End of Chapter 6]

#### CHAPTER 8 CONTINUING LISTING OBLIGATIONS

#### PART G - SHARE ISSUANCE SCHEME

## 8.19 Allocation under a Share Issuance Scheme

- (1) (2) [No change].
- (3) A listed corporation must also ensure that a statement by the audit committee verifying such allocation is included in the annual report.[Deleted]

#### **PART H - OTHERS**

# 8.31A Voting by poll

- (1) A listed corporation must ensure that any resolution set out in the notice of any general meeting, or in any notice of resolution which may properly be moved and is intended to be moved at any general meeting, is voted by poll.
- (2) A listed corporation must appoint at least 1 scrutineer to validate the votes cast at the general meeting. Such scrutineer must not be an officer of the listed corporation or its related corporation, and must be independent of the person undertaking the polling process. If such scrutineer is interested in a resolution to be passed at the general meeting, the scrutineer must refrain from acting as the scrutineer for that resolution. For this purpose, "officer" has the meaning given in section 4 of the Companies Act 1965.

#### **APPENDIX 8A**

# Contents of statement accompanying notices of annual general meetings (Rule 8.29)

- 1. Further details of individuals who are standing for election as directors (excluding directors standing for a re-election), namely the following:
  - (a) the name, age, gender, nationality, qualification, and whether the position is an executive or non-executive one and whether such director is an independent director;
  - (b) the working experience and occupation;
  - (c) any other directorships of public companies and listed corporations;
  - (d) the details of any interest in the securities of the listed corporation and its subsidiaries;
  - (e) the family relationship with any director and/or major shareholder of the listed corporation;
  - (f) any conflict of interests that they have with the listed corporation; and

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- (g) <u>other than traffic offences,</u> the list of convictions for offences within the past <u>405</u> years and particulars of any public sanction or penalty imposed by the relevant regulatory <u>bodies during the financial year, other than traffic offences,</u> if any.
- 2. [No change].

[End of Chapter 8]

#### CHAPTER 9 CONTINUING DISCLOSURE

## PART I - PREPARATION OF ANNOUNCEMENT

# 9.16 Content of press or other public announcement

- (1) The content of a press or other public announcement is as important as its timing. A listed corporation must ensure that each announcement
  - (a) (b) [no change];
  - (c) is balanced and fair. Thus, the announcement must avoid amongst others
    - (i) (iv) [no change];
    - (v) the presentation of revenue or profitfinancial estimate, forecast or projection without sufficient qualification, assumptions or factual basisreasonable bases and assumptions. If any revenue or profitfinancial estimate, forecast or projection is released, it must be prepared in compliance with Chapters 12 and 13 in Part I, Division 1 of the SC's Prospectus Guidelines in relation to future financial information carefully, with a reasonable factual basis and be stated realistically, with appropriate assumptions and qualifications, so as to ensure that it is properly understood. In addition, the accounting bases and calculations underlying accounting policies and assumptions of the financial estimate, forecast or projection and the assumptions must be reviewed by the external auditors or reporting accountants, as the case may be, in accordance with Chapters 12 and 13 in Part I, Division 1 of the SC's Prospectus Guidelines in relation to future financial information, except where the revenue or profitfinancial estimate, forecast or projection is required to be released on an immediate basis in response to a media report:
    - (vi) (vii) [no change];
  - (d) (e) [no change];
  - (f) explains, in relation to an announcement on internal targets, that the information disclosed are merely internal management targets or aspirations set to be achieved by the listed corporation and not an financial estimate, forecast or projection.
- (2) (4) [No change].

## PART J - IMMEDIATE DISCLOSURE REQUIREMENTS

#### 9.19 Immediate announcements to the Exchange

A listed corporation must immediately announce to the Exchange the events set out below. This requirement is in addition to the other announcement requirements which are imposed under this Chapter and other parts of these Requirements, and are not exhaustive:

- (1) (6) [no change];
- (7) all resolutions put to a general meeting of a listed corporation and immediately after such meeting whether or not the resolutions were carried. If the resolution is decided on poll, \*The announcement must include –
  - (a) the total number of votes cast on the poll (together with the percentage) in favour of and against the resolution; and
  - (b) the name of the scrutineer.
- (8) (34) [no change];
- (35) any deviation of 10% or more between the profit after tax and minority interest stated in a profitfinancial estimate, forecast or projection previously announced or disclosed in a public document and the announced unaudited—financial statements, giving an explanation of the deviation and the reconciliation of the deviation;
- (36) [no change];
- any circumstances or development which are likely to materially affect the results or outcome of any prospects, revenue or profitfinancial estimate, forecast, projection or internal targets of the listed corporation previously announced or disclosed in a public document, giving an explanation of the possible outcome arising from such circumstances or development on the prospects, revenue or profitfinancial estimate, forecast, projection or internal targets of the listed corporation;
- (37A) any shortfall in the actual profit guarantee received by the listed corporation as compared with the profit guarantee previously announced or disclosed in a public document (if any) and the steps taken or proposed to be taken to recover the shortfall;
- (38) any qualification modified opinion or material uncertainty related to going concern in an external auditors' report. <u>giving The announcement must set out the full details of such qualification modified opinion or material uncertainty related to going concern and include the following:</u>
  - (a) all key audit matters disclosed in the external auditors' report;
  - (b) steps taken or proposed to be taken to address those key audit matters that relate to the modified opinion or material uncertainty related to going concern; and
  - (c) the timeline for the steps referred to in sub-Rule (b) above;
- (39) (52) [no change].

# 9.21 Listed corporation to have a website

- (1) [No change].
- (2) A listed corporation must publish the following information on its website:
  - all announcements made to the Exchange pursuant to these Requirements. The listed corporation must ensure that such announcements are placed on the listed corporation's website, as soon as practicable after the same are released on the Exchange's website; and
  - (b) a summary of the key matters discussed at the annual general meeting, as soon as practicable after the conclusion of the annual general meeting.
- (3) (4) [No change].

#### PART L - CIRCULARS AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS

# 9.31 Standard of disclosure for circulars

- (1) A listed corporation must ensure that any circular issued to the securities holders of the listed corporation
  - (a) (b) [no change];
  - (c) is balanced and fair. Thus, the circular must avoid amongst others
    - (i) (iii) [no change];
    - (iv) the presentation of revenue or profitfinancial estimates, forecasts or projections without sufficient qualification or sufficient factual basis reasonable bases and assumptions, or without review by the external auditors or reporting accountants, as the case may be, of the accounting bases and calculations, underlying accounting policies and assumptions. If any revenue or profit financial estimate, forecast or projection is released, it must be prepared in compliance with Chapters 12 and 13 in Part I, Division 1 of the SC's Prospectus Guidelines in relation to future financial information carefully, with a reasonable factual basis and be stated realistically, with appropriate assumptions and qualifications, so as to ensure that it is properly understood, and the accounting bases and calculations underlying accounting policies and assumptions of the financial estimate, forecast or projection and the assumptions thereto must be reviewed by the external auditors or reporting accountants, as the case may be, in accordance with Chapters 12 and 13 in Part I, Division 1 of the SC's Prospectus Guidelines in relation to future financial information;
    - (v) (vi) [no change];
  - (d) (e) [no change].
- (2) (4) [No change].

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#### Part A

# Contents of announcement in relation to the appointment of a director (Rule 9.19(12))

- (a) The name, age, gender, nationality, qualification and whether the position is an executive or non-executive one and whether such director is an independent director.
- (b) Working experience and occupation.
- (c) Any other directorship <u>efin</u> public companies <u>and listed corporations</u>.
- (d) Any family relationship with any director and/or major shareholder of the listed corporation.
- (e) Any conflict of interests that <u>hethe person</u> has with the listed corporation.
- (f) The details of any interest in the securities of the listed corporation or its subsidiaries.

#### Part B

# Contents of announcement in relation to the appointment of a chief executive (Rule 9.19(14))

- (a) The name, age, gender, nationality and qualification.
- (b) Working experience.
- (c) Any other directorships of public companies and listed corporations.
- (d) Any family relationship with any director and/or major shareholder of the listed corporation.
- (e) Where the chief executive is not a director of the listed corporation, whether the appointee has any conflict of interests with the listed corporation or its subsidiaries.
- (f) The details of any interest in the securities of the listed corporation or its subsidiaries.

# Part B(A)

# Contents of announcement in relation to the appointment of the chief financial officer (Rule 9.19(14A))

- (a) The name, age, gender, nationality and qualification.
- (b) Working experience.
- (bA) Any other directorships in public companies and listed corporations.
- (c) Any family relationship with any director and/or major shareholder of the listed corporation.

- (d) Whether the appointee has any conflict of interests with the listed corporation or its subsidiaries.
- (e) The details of any interest in the securities of the listed corporation or its subsidiaries.

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# **Quarterly report**

(Rule 9.22(2))

#### **Notes**

- (1) (2) [No change].
- (3) A commentary on the following:
  - (a) the prospects, including the factors that are likely to influence the corporation's prospects for the remaining period to the end of the financial year or the next financial year if the reporting period is the last quarter; and
  - (b) the corporation's progress to achieve the revenue or profitfinancial estimate, forecast, projection or internal targets in the remaining period to the end of the financial year and the forecast period which was previously announced or disclosed in a public document and steps taken or proposed to be taken to achieve the revenue or profitfinancial estimate, forecast, projection or internal targets.
- (4) A statement of the board of directors' opinion as to whether the revenue or profitfinancial estimate, forecast, projection or internal targets in the remaining period to the end of the financial year and the forecast period which was previously announced or disclosed in a public document are likely to be achieved.
- (5) An explanatory note for any (only applicable to the final quarter for corporations which have previously announced or disclosed a <a href="mailto:prefit\_financial">prefit\_financial</a> <a href="mailto:estimate">estimate</a>, forecast <a href="mailto:or projection">or projection</a>, or profit guarantee in a public document) -
  - (a) variance of actual profit after tax and minority interest and the forecast profit after tax and minority interest stated in the financial estimate, forecast or projection (where the variance exceeds 10%); or
  - (b) shortfall in the profit guarantee received by the corporation (if any) and steps taken to recover the shortfall.
- (6) (8) [No change].
- (9) (a) The status of corporate proposals announced but not completed at the latest practicable date which will not be earlier than 7 days from the date of issue of the quarterly report.
  - (b) Where applicable, a brief explanation of the status of utilisation of proceeds raised from any corporate proposal, <u>including an initial public offering</u>, which must include the information prescribed in the following table:

Purpose	Proposed Utilisation	Actual Utilisation	Intended Timeframe for Utilisation	Deviati	on	Explanations (if the deviation is
(i) (ii) (iii) (iv) (v)	RM'000	RM'000	Othisation	Amount RM'000	%	5% or more)
Total						

- (10) (14)[No change].
- (15) WhereIf the audit report of the <u>listed</u> corporation's <u>preceding</u> annual financial statements <u>for</u> the <u>preceding financial year</u> was <u>qualified</u> were to contain a modified opinion or material <u>uncertainty related to going concern</u>, disclosure of the <u>following:</u>
  - (a) qualificationthe modified opinion or material uncertainty related to going concern; and
  - (b) the current-status of thethose key audit matters that relate to the modified opinion or material uncertainty related to going concern (including steps taken (if any) to address those matters) matter(s) giving rise to the qualification for the current quarter and financial year to date.

(16) - (17) [No change].

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# Contents of annual report

(Rule 9.25)

- (1) The address, telephone and facsimile numbers of the registered office.
- (2) The address, telephone and facsimile numbers of each office at which a register of securities is kept.
- (3) The particulars of each director in the listed corporation including the following information:
  - (a) the name, age, <u>gender</u>, nationality, qualification and whether the position is an executive or non-executive one and whether such director is an independent director;
  - (b) working experience and occupation;
  - (c) the date **hethe person** was first appointed to the board;
  - (d) the details of any board committee to which hethe person belongs;

- (e) any other directorship ofin public companies and listed corporations;
- (f) any family relationship with any director and/or major shareholder of the listed corporation;
- (g) any conflict of interests that <a href="hethe person">hethe person</a> has with the listed corporation;
- (h) <u>other than traffic offences,</u> the list of convictions for offences within the past <u>405</u> years and particulars of any public sanction or penalty imposed by the relevant regulatory <u>bodies during the financial year, other than traffic offences,</u> if any; and
- (i) the number of board meetings attended in the financial year.
- (4) Name of the chief executive and where the chief executive is not a director, the following particulars:
  - (a) the name, age, gender, nationality and qualification;
  - (b) working experience;
  - (c) the date hethe person was first appointed to the listed corporation;
  - (d) the details of any interest in the securities of the listed corporation or its subsidiaries;
  - (e) any directorship ofin public companies and listed corporations;
  - (f) any family relationship with any director and/or major shareholder of the listed corporation;
  - (g) any conflict of interests that hethe person has with the listed corporation; and
  - (h) <u>other than traffic offences</u>, the list of convictions for offences within the past <u>405</u> years and particulars of any public sanction or penalty imposed by the relevant regulatory <u>bodies during the financial year</u>, other than traffic offences, if any.
- (4A) The particulars of the key senior management including the following information:
  - (a) the name, age, gender, nationality and qualification;
  - (b) working experience;
  - (c) the date the person was first appointed to the key senior management position;
  - (d) any directorship in public companies and listed corporations;
  - (e) any family relationship with any director and/or major shareholder of the listed corporation;
  - (f) any conflict of interests that the person has with the listed corporation; and
  - (g) other than traffic offences, the list of convictions for offences within the past 5 years and particulars of any public sanction or penalty imposed by the relevant regulatory bodies during the financial year, if any.

For the purpose of this paragraph, "**key senior management**" refers to a person, who in the opinion of the listed corporation, is the key senior management of the group, and must include a person who is primarily responsible for the business operations of the listed corporation's core business and principal subsidiaries.

- (5) The name of the company secretary.
- (6) The name, address and telephone number of the Sponsor of the listed corporation.
- (7) The audit committee report in respect of the financial year required under Rule 15.15.
- (7A) A statement on the activities of the nominating committee in the discharge of its duties for the financial year required under Rule 15.08A(3).
- (8) The Chairman's statement which represents the collective view of the board of directors setting out a balanced summary which includes the following:
  - (a) a brief description of the industry trend and development;
  - (b) a discussion and analysis of the group's performance during the year and the material factors underlying its results and financial position. It should emphasise trends and identify significant events or transactions during the year under review; and
  - (c) the prospects of the listed corporation.

A statement containing the management discussion and analysis of the group's business, operations and performance (including financial performance) during the financial year which includes at least the following information:

- (a) overview of the group's business and operations including its objectives and strategies for achieving the objectives;
- (b) discussion and analysis of the financial results and financial condition including -
  - (i) commentary on financial and non-financial indicators to measure the group's performance;
  - (ii) significant changes in performance, financial position and liquidity as compared with the previous financial year;
  - (iii) discussion on the capital expenditure requirements, capital structure and capital resources; and
  - (iv) known trends and events that are reasonably likely to have a material effect on the group's operations, performance, financial condition, and liquidity, together with the underlying reasons or implications;
- (c) review of operating activities including discussion on the main factors that may affect the operating activities of each principal business segment of the group, impact on future operating activities, and the approach or action taken in dealing with the effect or outcome of such matters on its business activities;

- any identified anticipated or known risks that the group is exposed to which may have a material effect on the group's operations, performance, financial condition, and liquidity together with a discussion of the plans or strategies to mitigate such risks; and
- (e) forward-looking statement providing commentary on the -
  - (i) group's possible trend, outlook and sustainability of each of its principal business segment;
  - (ii) prospects of new businesses or investments; and
  - (iii) dividend or distribution policy, if any, and factors contributing to the dividend or distribution for the financial year.
- (9) A statement relating to corporate governance in respect of the financial year required under Rule 15.25.
- (10) A responsibility statement in respect of the annual audited financial statements required under Rule 15.26(a).
- (11) A statement on <u>risk management and</u> internal control in respect of the financial year required under Rule 15.26(b).
- (12) The remuneration of directors of the listed corporation (including the remuneration for services rendered to the listed corporation as a group) for the financial year and in the following manner, stating the amount received from the listed corporation and the amount received on a group basis respectively:
  - (a) the aggregate remuneration of directors with categorisation into appropriate components (e.g. directors' fees, salaries, percentages, bonuses, commission, compensation for loss of office, benefits in kind based on an estimated money value) distinguishing between executive and non-executive directors; and
  - (b) the number of directors whose remuneration falls in each successive band of RM50,000 distinguishing between executive and non-executive directors.
- (13) The total number of board meetings held during the financial year.
- (14) Where applicable, a brief explanation of the status of utilisation of proceeds raised from any corporate proposal.
- (15) The information required under Rule 12.23 in respect of share buy-backs for the financial year.[Deleted]
- (16) The amount of options or convertible securities issued by the listed corporation which are exercised during the financial year. [Deleted]
- (17) A brief explanation on the depository receipt programme sponsored by the listed corporation, including the following:
  - the number and names of the custodians holding the securities for which the depository receipts are issued;

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- (b) the total number and percentage of the securities for which the depository receipts are issued against its issued and paid-up capital and a breakdown of the same in respect of the securities held by each custodian:
- (c) the name of the depository bank; and
- (d) the stock market in which the depository receipts are traded (if applicable).[Deleted]
- (18) Particulars of all sanctions or penalties imposed on the listed corporation and its subsidiaries, directors or management by the relevant regulatory bodies.[Deleted]
- (19) The amount of non-audit fees incurred for following particulars in relation to the audit and non-audit services rendered to the listed corporation or its subsidiaries for the financial year:
  - (a) amount of audit fees paid or payable to the listed corporation's auditors, stating the amount incurred by the listed corporation and the amount incurred on a group basis respectively; and
  - (b) amount of non-audit fees paid or payable byto the listed corporation's auditors, or a firm or corporation affiliated to the auditors' firm, stating the amount incurred by the listed corporation and the amount incurred on a group basis respectively. If the non-audit fees incurred were significant, details on the nature of the services rendered. If no non-audit fees were incurred, a statement to that effect.
- (20) Where the results for the financial year differ by 10% or more from any profit estimate, forecast or projection or unaudited results previously made or released by the listed corporation for that period, an explanation of the difference and a reconciliation of the difference. [Deleted]
- (21) Any shortfall in the profit guarantee received by the listed corporation in the financial year as compared with the profit guarantee (if any) and steps taken to recover the shortfall. [Deleted]
- (22) Particulars of material contracts of the listed corporation and its subsidiaries involving the interest of the directors<sup>2</sup>, chief executive who is not a director or and major shareholders interests, either still subsisting at the end of the financial year or, if not then subsisting, entered into since the end of the previous financial year, providing the following particulars in respect of each such contract:
  - (a) the date;
  - (b) the parties;
  - (c) the general nature;
  - (d) the consideration passing to or from the listed corporation or any other corporation in the group;
  - (e) the mode of satisfaction of the consideration; and

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(f) the relationship between the director, <u>chief executive</u> or major shareholder and the contracting party (if the director, <u>chief executive</u> or major shareholder is not the contracting party).

If no such material contract has been entered into, a statement to that effect.

- (23) Where the above contract relates to a loan, the following particulars in respect of each loan:
  - (a) the names of the lender and the borrower;
  - (b) the relationship between the borrower and the director, chief executive who is not a director or major shareholder (if the director, chief executive or the major shareholder is not the borrower);
  - (c) the purpose of the loan;
  - (d) the amount of the loan;
  - (e) the interest rate;
  - (f) the terms as to payment of interest and repayment of principal; and
  - (g) the security provided.
- (24) A statement indicating the date of such statement and setting out-
  - (a) the names of the substantial shareholders (excluding bare trustees) and their direct and deemed interests stating the number and percentage of shares in which they have an interest as shown in the register of substantial shareholders of the listed corporation;
  - (b) a statement showing the direct and deemed interests in the listed corporation, or in a related corporation (including number and percentage) of -
    - each director (including number and percentage) in the listed corporation, or in a related corporation, appearing in the register maintained under section 134 of the Companies Act 1965; and
    - (ii) chief executive who is not a director;
  - (c) the number of holders of each class of equity securities and any convertible securities and the voting rights attaching to each class;
  - (d) a distribution schedule of each class of equity securities and any convertible securities setting out the number of holders and percentage in the following categories:

No. of Holdings Total Holdings % Holders

less than 100 100 to 1,000 shares 1,001 to 10,000 shares 10,001 to 100,000 shares 100,001 to less than 5% of issued shares 5% and above of issued shares

100%

- (e) the names of the 30 securities account holders having the largest number of securities from each class of equity securities and convertible securities according to the Record of Depositors (without aggregating the securities from different securities accounts belonging to the same person) and the number and percentage of equity securities and convertible securities of each class held. In the case of securities account holders which are authorised nominees as defined under the Securities Industry (Central Depositories) Act 1991, information in the account qualifier field of the securities account must also be stated.
- (25) [Deleted]
- (26) Particulars of each property of the listed corporation or its subsidiaries which net book value is 5% or more of the consolidated total assets of the listed corporation as at the end of the financial year ("material properties"). In the event the number of the material properties is less than 10, particulars of the top 10 properties in terms of highest net book value (inclusive of the material properties) as at the end of the financial year. Particulars of such properties to be set out are as follows:
  - (a) the address of each property;
  - (b) in respect of each property -
    - (i) a brief description (e.g. land or buildings, approximate areas, etc.);
    - (ii) the existing use (e.g. shops, offices, factories, residential, etc.);
    - (iii) the tenure (i.e. freehold, or leasehold and if leasehold, the date of expiry of the lease);
    - (iv) the approximate age of the buildings;
    - (v) the net book value; and
    - (vi) where revaluation has been carried out, the date of last revaluation and if none, the date of acquisition.
- (27) A statement by the audit committee in relation to allocation of options or shares pursuant to a Share Issuance Scheme as required under Rule 8.19.[Deleted]

- (28) The following information in relation to an Employee Share Scheme:
  - (a) the number of schemes currently in existence during the financial year, and brief details of each scheme including
    - (i) total number of options or shares granted;
    - (ii) total number of options exercised or shares vested; and
    - (iii) total options or shares outstanding;
  - (b) in regard to options or shares granted to the directors and chief executive:
    - (i) aggregate options or shares granted;
    - (ii) aggregate options exercised or shares vested; and
    - (iii) aggregate options or shares outstanding;
  - (c) in regard to options or shares granted to the directors and senior management
    - (i) aggregate maximum allocation applicable to directors and senior management in percentage; and
    - (ii) the actual percentage granted to them,

during the financial year and since commencement of the scheme respectively; and

(d) a breakdown of the options offered to and exercised by, or shares granted to and vested in (if any) non-executive directors pursuant to an Employee Share Scheme in respect of the financial year in tabular form as follows:

Name of director	Amount of options/ shares granted	Amount of options exercised/shares vested

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

Total

- (29) A statement by the board of directors relating to the training attended by directors in respect of the financial year required under Rule 15.08(3).
- (30) A brief description of the corporate social responsibility activities or practices undertaken by the listed corporation and its subsidiaries or if there are none, a statement to that effect<sup>1</sup>.

This will be replaced with the requirement to disclose a narrative statement of the listed corporation's management of material economic, environmental and social risks and opportunities ("Sustainability Statement") on 31 December 2018.

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(31) A statement relating to the internal audit function of the listed corporation, i.e. whether the internal audit function is performed in-house or is outsourced and the costs incurred for the internal audit function in respect of the financial year.

[End of Chapter 9]

# **CHAPTER 10 TRANSACTIONS**

# PART E - RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

# 10.08 Related party transactions

- (1) (7) [No change].
- (7A) A listed corporation must ensure that any vote of shareholders taken at the general meeting on the resolution approving the transaction is taken on a poll.[Deleted]
- (8) (11) [No change].

[End of Chapter 10]

## **CHAPTER 12 SHARE BUY-BACKS**

# **PART F - ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS**

# 12.23 Information to be included in annual reports

A listed corporation must include in its annual report, information with respect to purchase of its own shares as set out in Appendix 12D.[Deleted]

## **APPENDIX 12D**

Disclosure in annual report in relation to share buy-back (Rule 12.23)

- (1) A monthly breakdown of purchase(s) of its own shares made during the financial year showing the number of shares purchased each month and the purchase price per share or the highest, lowest and average price paid, and the total consideration paid for such purchase(s).
- (2) A monthly breakdown of resale(s) of its treasury shares during the financial year showing the number of treasury shares resold each month and the resale price of each share, or the highest, lowest and average resale price and the total consideration received for such resale(s).
- (3) The details of the shares retained as treasury shares during the financial year.
- (4) The details of shares cancelled during the financial year. [Deleted]

[End of Chapter 12]

#### **CHAPTER 15 CORPORATE GOVERNANCE**

#### **PART B - DIRECTORS**

# 15.05 Qualification, vacation of office and removal of directors

- (1) A listed corporation must ensure that no person is appointed or allowed to act as a director of the corporation or be involved whether directly or indirectly in the management of the corporation, including acting in an advisory capacity in relation to the corporation, if he
  - (a) has been convicted by a court of law, whether within Malaysia or elsewhere, of an offence in connection with the promotion, formation or management of a corporation;
  - (b) has been convicted by a court of law, whether within Malaysia or elsewhere, of an offence, involving fraud or dishonesty or where the conviction involved a finding that he acted fraudulently or dishonestly; or
  - (c) has been convicted by a court of law of an offence under the securities laws or the Companies Act 1965 corporations laws of the listed corporation's place of incorporation,

within a period of 5 years from the date of conviction or if sentenced to imprisonment, from the date of release from prison, as the case may be.

- (2) For the purpose of sub-Rule (1) above, "securities laws" means the CMSA, the Securities Industry (Central Depositories) Act 1991, the Securities Commission Act 1993, or in the case of a foreign listed corporation, the equivalent securities and corporation legislation of the foreign listed corporation's place of incorporation.[Deleted]
- (3) (5) [No change].

# PART B(A) - NOMINATING COMMITEE

# 15.08A Nominating committee

- (1) [No change].
- (2) The nominating committee must have written terms of reference dealing with its authority and duties which must include the selection and assessment of directors, and such information must be made available on the listed corporation's website.
- (3) [No change].

# PART C - AUDIT COMMITTEE

# 15.11 Written terms of reference

An audit committee must have written terms of reference which deal with its authority and duties, and such information must be made available on the listed corporation's website.

#### 15.12 Functions of the audit committee

Without limiting the generality of Rule 15.11 above, a listed corporation must ensure an audit committee must, amongst others, discharge the following functions:

- (1) review the following and report the same to the board of directors of the listed corporation:
  - (a) (f) [no change];
  - (g) the quarterly results and year end financial statements, before the approval by the board of directors, focusing particularly on -
    - (i) changes in or implementation of major accounting policy changes;
    - (ii) <u>significant matters highlighted including financial reporting issues, significant judgments made by management, significant and unusual events or transactions, and how these matters are addressed;</u> and
    - (iii) compliance with accounting standards and other legal requirements;
  - (h) (j) [no change]; and
- (2) [no change].

# 15.15 Audit committee report

- (1) (2) [No change].
- (3) The audit committee report must include the following:
  - (a) the composition of the audit committee, including the name, designation (indicating the chairman) and directorship of the members (indicating whether the directors are independent or otherwise);
  - (b) a summary of the terms of reference of the audit committee, or the key functions, roles and responsibilities of the audit committee; [deleted]
  - (c) the number of audit committee meetings held during the financial year and details of attendance of each audit committee member;
  - (d) a summary of the <u>activities work</u> of the audit committee in the discharge of its functions and duties for that financial year of the listed corporation <u>and how it has met its responsibilities</u>;
  - (e) a summary of the activities work of the internal audit function or activity.

# 15.19 Retirement and resignation

In the event of any vacancy in an audit committee resulting in the non-compliance of Rules 15.09(1) and 15.10 above, a listed corporation must fill the vacancy within 3 months.

#### 15.20 Review of the audit committee

The board of directors nominating committee of a listed corporation must review the term of office and performance of an audit committee and each of its members at least once every 3 years annually to determine whether such audit committee and members have carried out their duties in accordance with their terms of reference.

## PART D - AUDITORS

#### 15.23 Review of statements

A listed corporation must ensure that the external auditors review a statement made by the board of directors of a listed corporation pursuant to Rule 15.26(b) below, with regard to the state of <u>risk</u> <u>management and</u> internal control of the listed corporation and report the results thereof to the board of directors of the listed corporation.

## PART E - CORPORATE GOVERNANCE DISCLOSURE

# 15.26 Additional statements by the board of directors

A listed corporation must ensure that its board of directors makes the following additional statements in its annual report:

- (a) a statement explaining the board of directors' responsibility for preparing the annual audited financial statements; and
- (b) a statement about the state of <u>risk management and</u> internal control of the listed corporation as a group.

[Cross reference: Guidance Note 11]

[End of Chapter 15]

# CHAPTER 16 SUSPENSION, DE-LISTING AND ENFORCEMENT

## PART B - TRADING HALT AND SUSPENSION

# 16.02 Suspension of trading imposed by the Exchange

- (1) The Exchange may at any time suspend the trading of listed securities in any of the following circumstances:
  - (a)-(d) [No change];
  - (e) upon notice by the SC to the Exchange that in its opinion a listed corporation has breached or has failed to comply with any provision of the CMSA, the Securities Industry (Central Depositories) Act 1991, the Securities Commission Act 1993 securities laws or any guidelines issued by the SC for the ACE Market the SC's guidelines, or that it is necessary or expedient in the public interest and where it would be for the protection of investors;
  - (f)-(i) [No change].
- (2) (4) [No change].

[End of Chapter 16]

# **GUIDANCE NOTE 3**

# CRITERIA AND OBLIGATIONS OF GN3 COMPANIES

Details		Cross References
Effective date: Revision date:	8 May 2006  3 August 2009, 16 October 2013, 27 January 2015, [ ]	Rules 8.03A, 8.04, 16.02 and 16.11

## 1.0 Introduction

[No change].

## 2.0 Criteria

- 2.1 Pursuant to Rule 8.04(2) of the Listing Requirements, where a listed corporation triggers any one or more of the following Prescribed Criteria, it must comply with the provisions of Rule 8.04 and this Guidance Note:
  - (a) (f) [no change];
  - (g) the auditors have expressed an emphasis of matter on highlighted a material uncertainty related to going concern or expressed a qualification on the listed corporation's ability to continue as a going concern in the listed corporation's latest audited financial statements and the shareholders' equity of the listed corporation is 50% or less of the issued and paid-up capital of the listed corporation; or
  - (h) [no change].
  - (i) [deleted]
  - (j) [deleted]
- 2.2 2.4 [No change].

# 3.0 [Deleted]

# 4.0 Disclosure obligations of the GN3 Company

[No change].

# 5.0 Obligation to Regularise

[No change].

# **ANNEXURE GN3-A**

Additional contents of circular for regularisation plan undertaken by a GN3 Company (paragraph 5.5(b))

- (1) (7) [No change].
- (8) The <u>profit and cash flowfinancial</u> estimate, forecast or projection, and the <u>underlying accounting policies and</u> assumptions together with a copy of the reporting accountant's' letter, if such information is provided to the Exchange in the submission.
- (9) [No change].

[End of Guidance Note 3]

# **GUIDANCE NOTE 112**

# RISK MANAGEMENT AND INTERNAL CONTROL, AND CORPORATE GOVERNANCE STATEMENT

Details		Cross References
Effective date:	3 July 2006	Rules 15.25 and 15.26
Revision date:	3 August 2009, 29 November 2012, [ _ ]	

#### 1.0 Introduction

- 1.1 Rule 15.25 of the Listing Requirements provides that a listed corporation must include in its annual report, a narrative statement of its corporate governance practices ("Corporate Governance Statement") with reference to the Malaysian Code on Corporate Governance 2012 ("Code"). In making the Corporate Governance Statement, the listed corporation must include the following information:
  - (a) how the listed corporation has applied the Principles set out in the Code ("**Principles**") to its particular circumstances, having regard to the Recommendations stated under each Principle ("**Recommendations**"); and
  - (b) any Recommendation which the listed corporation has not followed, together with the reasons for not following it and the alternatives adopted by the listed corporation, if any.
- 1.2 Rule 15.26(b) of the Listing Requirements requires a listed corporation to ensure that its board of directors make a statement in its annual report about the state of <u>risk management</u> and internal control of the listed corporation as a group ( "<u>Risk Management and Internal Control Statement</u>").
- 1.3 This Guidance Note clarifies the obligation of the listed corporations in making the Corporate Governance Statement and the <u>Risk Management and</u> Internal Control Statement.
- 2.0 Location of the Corporate Governance Statement and the Risk Management and Internal Control Statement in the annual report
- 2.1 A listed corporation may combine both the Corporate Governance Statement and the Risk Management and Internal Control Statement (both statements are collectively referred to as "said Statements").

The relevant amendments made relating to the disclosure of Sustainability Statement in annual reports will be reflected in Guidance Note 11 on 31 December 2018.

2.2 A listed corporation must set out the said Statements prominently and clearly in its annual report. The said Statements must not be incorporated into the <a href="Chairman's management discussion and analysis">Chairman's management discussion and analysis</a> statement in the annual report as referred to in paragraph 8 of <a href="Part A">Part A</a> in Appendix 9C of the Listing Requirements.

# 3.0 Contents of the Corporate Governance Statement

[No change].

## 4.0 Contents of the Risk Management and Internal Control Statement

- 4.1 In making the <u>Risk Management and</u> Internal Control Statement, a listed corporation is required to address the Principle, Recommendation and Commentary in the Code which relate to internal control, namely the following:
  - (a) Principle 6 of the Code on recognizing and managing risks which reads as follows:
    - "The board should establish a sound risk management framework and internal control system."
  - (b) Recommendation 6.1 read together with the Commentary of the Code which states as follows:

"The board should establish a sound framework to manage risks.

## Commentary:

- The board should determine the company's level of risk tolerance and actively identify, assess and monitor key business risks to safeguard shareholders' investments and the company's assets.
- Internal controls are important for risk management and the board should be committed to articulating, implementing and reviewing the company's internal controls system.
- Periodic testing of the effectiveness and efficiency of the internal controls procedures and processes must be conducted to ensure that the system is viable and robust.
- The board should disclose in the annual report the main features of the company's risk management framework and internal controls system."
- 4.2 In making the Risk Management and Internal Control Statement, a listed corporation should be guided by the Statement on Risk Management and Internal Control: Guidelines for Directors of Listed Issuers which is issued by the Taskforce on Internal Control with the support and endorsement of the Exchange.
- 4.3 A listed corporation must ensure that the <u>Risk Management and</u> Internal Control Statement contains adequate information to enable an informed assessment of its state of internal control.

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# 5.0 The said Statements

[No change].

[End of Guidance Note 11]

# GUIDANCE NOTE 14 TRADING HALT

Details		Cross References
Effective date: Revision date:	3 September 2007 3 August 2009, [ ]	Rule 16.04

# 1.0 Introduction

[No change].

# 2.0 Material announcement which may warrant trading halt

- 2.1 For the purpose of Rule 16.04 of the Listing Requirements, an announcement relating to any of the following matters will be regarded as a material announcement:
  - (a) (i) [no change];
  - (j) the prospects, revenue or profitfinancial estimate, forecast, projection or internal targets of the listed corporation and any circumstances or development which are likely to materially affect the results or outcome of the same;
  - (k) (l) [no change].

# 3.0 Periods of trading halt

[No change].

[End of Appendix 2]