Audit Delay Analysis to Support the Effectiveness of Company’s Financial Reporting on Manufacturing Companies Listed On The Indonesia Stock Exchange

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Abstract. Every company listed on the Indonesia Stock Exchange is required to submit financial reports periodically. The financial statements shall be submitted no later than the end of the third month from the end date of the financial year. In reality, not all companies submit the right reports on time because of the audit delays. This study aims to analyze the factors that affect the time spent in auditing financial statements. The sample in this study was 15 real estate and property industrial companies listed on the Indonesia Stock Exchange for the period 2013-2017. Determination of the sample in this study used the purposive sampling method. The analysis used is multiple regression analysis. The results showed that company size had no significant effect on audit delay. Meanwhile, profitability has a negative effect and the size of the public accounting firm has a significant positive effect on audit delay. The size of the company cannot determine the audit of the financial statements to improve the accuracy of the submission of financial statements. What must be paid more attention is the level of profitability and the public accounting firm that will be used.

Keywords: Audit delay, Size, Profitability, and KAP Size

Introduction

Indonesia as a developing country must always increase competitiveness with other countries because of the ASEAN Economic Community (AEC) which has been implemented. The development of the country is supported by the increasing effectiveness of companies as supporters in supporting the nation's economy. The development of companies in Indonesia is characterized by the increasing number of companies going public. Until now, hundreds of companies are listed on the Indonesia Stock Exchange. The rapid development of activities on the Indonesia Stock Exchange has resulted in an increase in demand for financial statement audits in an effective and efficient manner. Every company going public is required to submit financial reports prepared in accordance with Financial Accounting Standards that have been audited by public accountants registered with the Capital Market Supervisory Agency. Every company listed on the Indonesia Stock Exchange is required to submit financial reports periodically. This is as stipulated in the Decree of the Chairman of Bapepam Number KEP 36 / PM / 2003 concerning the obligation to submit financial reports periodically. Financial reports are submitted to Bapepam no later than the end of the third month from the end date of the financial year. Audit delay is the time span for completion of the audit of annual financial statement which is measured based on the number of days required to obtain an independent auditor's report on the audit of the company's annual financial report, starting from the closing date of the company's financial year, which is as of December 31, until the date stated on the independent auditor's report. Audit delay that exceeds the stipulated deadline will result in delays in the publication of financial reports. This can have a negative impact on the company, investors and other related parties. A financial report will have a beneficial value if it is submitted accurately and precisely.
The process of achieving punctuality in the presentation of independent auditors' reports is becoming increasingly uneasy, given the increasing development of public companies in Indonesia. These obstacles and timeliness can also be seen from the Public Accountant Audit Standard in the third standard, namely to be able to use carefully and thoroughly their professional skills in auditing and in preparing audit reports (Mulyadi, 2014). There are various factors that can affect audit delay. Ningsih & Widhiyani (2015) examined the effect of company characteristics and auditor characteristics on audit delays. The variables studied included the size of the company, profitability, while the characteristics of the auditors were the audit committee. Based on this, the factors that can affect audit delay include firm size, profitability and the size of the Public Accounting Firm (KAP). This is also supported by several other previous research results.

Harjanto (2017) in his research concluded that the internal factors that affect audit delay are company size, profitability and solvency and external factors are the size of the public accounting firm, the results of the study stated that the variables of profitability, solvency, internal auditors have no influence on audit delays, while the size of the public accounting firm has a positive effect on audit delays. The results of research by Juanita & Satwoko (2012) showed that the profit or loss experienced by the company is a factor that determines the occurrence of audit delays, as well as for profitability and auditor size also affects audit delays. The size of the company and the company audited by Big Four KAP has no significant effect on audit delay, while the profit or loss experienced by the company has a significant effect on audit delays. Santoso (2013) analyzed The Size Of The Company, Profitability, Debt To Equity Ratio, Contingency on audit delay in companies listed on the Indonesia Stock Exchange. The results of the analysis prove that the size of the company has a significant negative effect on audit delay, while the other variables have no effect.

Based on some of the previous research results mentioned above, there is a research gap where there are inconsistencies in the research results. Therefore, this research is interesting to do to find out the more consistent influence of several variables that affect audit delay, especially the size, profitability, and size of Public Accounting Firm (KAP). This research is important to be carried out so that the company is timely in submitting financial reports and becomes material for information in making decisions appropriately. Information that is delivered on time will support managers in dealing with uncertainties that occur in the work environment.

Methods

The populations of this research are real estate and property industrial companies listed on the Indonesia Stock Exchange for the period 2013-2017. The samples were determined by purposive sampling method. The criteria used are as follows:
- The company is listed on the Indonesia Stock Exchange during the observation period, namely 2013-2017.
- Companies that issue annual financial reports that are audited for five consecutive years, namely 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016 and 2017
- Companies sampled have complete data in accordance with the models or variables used in this study.

The dependent variable in this study is audit delay, which is the length of time to complete the audit measured from the closing date of the financial year to the date of issuance of the financial reports.

Independent Variable
- Firm Size, Firm Size is a scale that shows the classification of the size of the company. The size can systematically be formulated as follows: Firm Size = Ln Total Assets
- Profitability (ROA), The measurement of profitability in this study uses Return On Asset (ROA), referring to the research of Widyangarti and Wirakusuma (2012). ROA describes asset turnover as measured by total assets. The formula is: ROA = Net Income / Total Assets
- KAP Size, Auditor size is the level of the auditor's reputation. The size is associated with KAP The Big Four, which includes: Large, if the company audited by KAP The Big Four. Medium, if the company audited by auditors affiliated with KAP The Big Four. Small, if the company audited by an auditor who is not affiliated with KAP The Big Four.

This study uses multiple linear regression method with panel data approach to analyze the effect of the independent variable on the dependent variable with the following regression equation:

\[ Y_t = b_0 + b_1 X_{1,t} + b_2 X_{2,t} + b_3 X_{3,t} + e_t \]

\( Y_t \) = Audit Delay; \( b_0 \) = Constant; \( b_{1,2,3} \) = Independent variable regression coefficient; \( X_{1,t} \) = Firm Size; \( X_2 \) = Profitability; \( X_3 \) = KAP Size; \( e \) = error

The panel data model equation above is then estimated using the common effect, fixed effect and random effect model approaches, while to determine which method is more suitable for this study, the Chow test, Hausman test and LM test are used (Ghozali, 2016). The next step is to test the classical assumptions. The classical assumption test of the regression model used is conducted in order to find out whether the regression model is a good regression
model or not. This research model, the classical assumption test, used the normality test, multicollinearity, heteroscedasticity, and autocorrelation.

**Discussion**

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Source: processed data

Firm Size has a regression coefficient of -0.002 and a probability value of 0.302. This shows that firm size has no significant effect on audit delays. The results of this study prove that firm size does not have a significant negative effect on the audit delay of property and real estate sector service companies listed on the Indonesia Stock Exchange during 2013-2017. This indicates that the greater the asset value of a company, the shorter the audit delay will be. This is because the larger the company, the company has a good internal control system so as to reduce the level of errors in financial reports so that auditing of financial statements can be conducted more quickly. These support the research results of Nurahman (2017), Ariyani (2014), Pusupitasari & Sari (2012), Althaf (2016), Wirakusuma (2017), Arifudin (2017) and Mohammad (2014) which show that firm size has a negative effect on audit delay. Profitability has a regression coefficient of -0.007 and a probability value of 0.032. This shows that profitability has a significant negative effect on audit delay.

Profitability has a regression coefficient of -0.007 and a probability value of 0.032. This shows that profitability has a significant negative effect on the audit delay of property and real estate sector service companies listed on the Indonesia Stock Exchange during 2013-2017. This indicates that the higher the audit delay, the lower the profitability will be. Companies that have high profitability tend to have short audit time delays because high profitability is good news so that companies will no longer delay publishing their financial reports. The results of this study are in line with research conducted by Ariyani & Budiarti (2014), Carbaja & Yadnya (2015), Lianto & Kusuma (2010), Amani (2016), Artaningrum, I Ketut and Made (2017), Kartika, (2011) and Mouna and Anis (2013), which show that profitability has a significant negative effect on audit delay.

The KAP size has a regression coefficient of 12.434 and a probability value of 0.000. This value shows that the KAP size has a significant positive effect on the audit delay of property and real estate sector service companies listed on the Indonesia Stock Exchange during 2013-2017. This indicates that the higher the audit delay, the higher the KAP size will be. This is because KAP the big four and non-big four have different characteristics. KAP the big four will work more professionally than the non-big four. KAP the big four will work more effectively and efficiently so that it will be faster in submitting audit reports. These support the results of research from Nurahman (2017), which shows that KAP size has a significant positive effect on audit delay.

**Conclusion**

The company has an obligation to submit financial reports on time so that it can be used as information material in making appropriate decisions. Timely information will support managers in dealing with uncertainties that occur in the work environment. The results showed that firm size has no effect on audit delay. Meanwhile, profitability has a negative effect and the size of the Public Accounting Firm has a significant positive effect on audit delay. Based on the results of the research, it is known that the size of the company has no effect on audit delay, however to improve the timeliness of submitting financial statements, the company must pay more attention to the level of profitability of the company and which accounting firm will be used by the company. For future researchers, it is expected to improve research on variables that can affect audit delay by adding independent variables and researchers can increase the length of their research period, and can also conduct audit delay research on other sub-sector companies.

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