**Effect of Geographical Diversification on Informational Efficiency in Emerging Countries**

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| Return on assets  | 0.0339 | 0.0810 | -4.7319\*\*\* |
| Return on equity | 0.0520 | 0.2468 | -2.5624\*\* |
| Tobin’s Q | 0.8530 | 2.0497 | -6.9949\*\*\* |
| Independent directors | 0.4509 | 0.3594 | 4.4035\*\*\* |
| Non-duality | 0.8571 | 0.8442 | 0.2757 |

*Notes:* The numbers of companies use in the study are 13 GLCs and 13 non-GLCs over a six-year period. \*\*\*and \*\* indicate significance at the 1% and 5% levels, respectively (two-tailed). The official exchange rate as at 30 December 2013 is RM1.00 = USD0.30. (8 pt)

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