

**ABSTRACT**

This study examines the relationships between firms' shareholder value levels and its corporate performance, financial policies and growth opportunities. A five-year period was used ranging from 1995 to 1999, and involved a total of 106 companies that are listed in the Kuala Lumpur Stock Exchange (KLSE). In attempting to increase knowledge regarding shareholder value issues in Malaysia, a better understanding about the various financial variables that affect shareholder value of companies in Malaysia is expected. Findings show that firms with higher growth opportunities tend to have higher shareholder value levels. The results are more mixed with regard to a company's corporate financial policies in that they tend to differ for different periods. With regard to corporate performance, no significant results were obtained. On the basis of these findings of this study, several suggestions for future research are discussed.