Controleverklaring in nieuw format vanaf verslagperioden 2016, niet-oob, standaardpassage Engels

Standard texts auditor’s report on financial statements for periods starting 2016, non-PIE, without paragraphs on communication to supervisory board/those charged with governance regarding independence and key audit matters

The auditor may refer to this webpage in his audit report for standard texts about his responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements. Please read the standard texts below.

We have exercised professional judgment and have maintained professional skepticism throughout the audit, in accordance with Dutch Standards on Auditing, ethical requirements and independence requirements. Our audit included e.g.:

- Identifying and assessing the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, designing and performing audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtaining audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control;
- Obtaining an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the company’s internal control;
- Evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management;
- Concluding on the appropriateness of management’s use of the going concern basis of accounting, and based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the company’s ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor’s report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor’s report. However, future events or conditions may cause a company to cease to continue as a going concern;
- Evaluating the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures; and
- Evaluating whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

Because we are ultimately responsible for the opinion, we are also responsible for directing, supervising and performing the group audit. In this respect we have determined the nature and extent of the audit procedures to be carried out for group entities. Decisive were the size and/or the risk profile of the group entities or operations. On this basis, we selected group entities for which an audit or review had to be carried out on the complete set of financial information or specific items.¹

We communicate with those charged with governance² regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant findings in internal control that we identify during our audit.

¹ Deze passage kan vervallen wanneer geen sprake is van een groepscontrole (bijvoorbeeld ingeval van niet-geconsolideerde deelnemingen).

² De term supervisory board (raad van commissarissen) hanteren wanneer die bestaat. Wanneer een raad van commissarissen of soortgelijk orgaan ontbreekt, is het mogelijk dat een vervangend orgaan een rol speelt bij communicatie over planning en bevindingen van de controle. De passage is te wijzigen om de juiste benaming van het vervangend orgaan te hanteren.