

LABUAN FINANCIAL SERVICES AUTHORITY (LEMBAGA PERKHIDMATAN KEWANGAN LABUAN)

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Association of Labuan Trust Companies Labuan International Insurance Association Association of Labuan Banks Labuan Investment Banks Group Labuan Fintech Association

Dear Sir/Madam.

Clarification on Application by Foreign Audit Firms

As you are aware, over the years, Labuan IBFC has attracted many entities from various regions to establish their presence on the island. In 2019, the change in the tax framework has necessitated various Labuan entities to have audited financial statements. Consequently, these have led to the increase demand for audit services for Labuan entities from Malaysian-based and non-Malaysian based audit firms.

- 2. Taking cognisant of the above, Labuan FSA would like to clarify that under Section 10 of Labuan Companies Act 1990, any qualified foreign audit firm (non-Malaysian based) may apply to Labuan FSA to be registered as a Labuan Approved Auditor (Labuan AA) to provide audit services to entities established in Labuan IBFC. However, the Labuan AAs are subject to the regulatory requirements relating to financial reporting standards that were issued by Labuan FSA. The application procedure for Labuan AAs is attached in the Appendix.
- 3. In this regard, we would appreciate it if you could inform and distribute the above information to members of your respective associations or any relevant parties, where necessary. Should there be any further queries needed, please contact any of the following officers:

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Guidance on Application by Labuan Approved Auditor

- 1. Visit the Corporate Online Registry at Labuan FSA or "COR@L" System website at www.lfsacoral.gov.my and register as a COR@L user.
- 2. Upon registration as a COR@L user, applicants may proceed to "Apply for Approval as an Approved Auditor" and follow the instruction provided in the website to complete the Checklists and Forms for Application.
- 3. Submit to Labuan FSA the relevant forms and supporting documents listed under the Checklist through the COR@L system.