

## **ABSTRACT**

**Renda Wahyuni.** *Effect of the Characteristics of Audit Committee and Profitability, And Firm Size to Earning Management In Manufacturing Companies Sector Food and Beverages Listed on the Indonesia Stock Exchange (IDX) On the Period 2010-2015 (Ied by Adrie Putra, SE, MM)*

*This study aimed to examine the effect of the characteristics of audit committee (size, independency, meetings) and profitability to earnings management. The size of audit committee is measured using scale nominal for total of the company's audit committee, independency of audit committee is measured using by the percentage for total independency of audit committee of the the company's audit committee, meetings of audit committee is measured using scale nominal for total of meetings in the company's audit committee for the year, and profitability measured using return on assets (ROA). Earnings management as the dependent variable is measured by discretionary accruals.*

*The research was conducted using secondary data In Manufacturing Companies Sector Food and Beverages Listed on the Indonesia Stock Exchange (IDX) On the Period 2010-2015. The sample used by 10 companies through purposive sampling method. The analytical method used in this study is multiple regression analysis.*

*Based on the results of the study concluded that meetings of audit committee and significant negative effect on earnings management which defines the greater meetings of audit committee in the company can reduce earnings management. However variable size of audit committee, independency of audit committee and profitability have not any significance on the earnings management.*

**Keywords:** *size of audit committee, independency of audit committee, meetings of audit committee and profitability, earning management.*