

Internal Controls And Financial Performance Of Retail Petroleum Industry In Uganda: A Case Study Of Selected Hass Petroleum Service Stations

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Introduction

The study was about internal controls and the financial performance of retail petroleum industry in Uganda: A case study of selected HASS petroleum service stations.

Objectives:

1. To examine how the control environment ensured liquidity at Hass Petroleum,
2. to assess how compliance with the relevant laws enhanced profitability at Hass Petroleum,
3. to examine how control activities ensured efficiency at HASS Petroleum.

Methodology

The study utilized a cross sectional research design using both quantitative and qualitative information. The study population comprised the entire staff of HASS petroleum Uganda

selected service stations in various departments comprising 74 respondents. Data were collected using Self-Administered Questionnaires and an interview guide.

Key findings

The control environment at HASS Petroleum ensured the liquidity of the company. The findings also revealed that quality accounting policies and procedures improved profitability at HASS Petroleum ($\beta=0.712$, $t=127.280$, $P<0.000$). There was a significant and positive relationship between internal control system (ICS) and financial performance at HASS Petroleum.

Key recommendations

The study recommended that Petroleum companies should develop a mechanism to incorporate relevant feedback from the various stakeholders into their internal control system.

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