## **ABSTRACT**

This study aimed to examine the effect of audit committee effectiveness and firm characteristics like financial condition, size of company, type of auditor and type of industry on the financial reporting lead time as a proxy of the timeliness of reporting.

The research was conducted by quantitative methods using secondary data.

Secondary data consists of data on the publication date of the financial statements of companies in the IDX website and annual reports of companies listed on the Stock Exchange in year 2015. This research population is company listed on the Indonesian Stock Exchange in year 2015. The procedure of sample selection using purposive sampling method. The number of samples is 161 non-financial companies and analysis techniques used are linear regression.

The results showed that the effectiveness of the audit committee and the size of the company negatively affect the financial reporting lead time, the type of auditor isn't negatively affect the financial reporting lead time, while the financial condition positive effect the financial reporting lead time. Furthermore, the type of industry affect the financial reporting lead time.

**Keywords:** financial reporting lead time, timeliness of reporting, audit committee effectiveness, firm characteristics.