



## **PRACTICE NOTE ON STAMP DUTY EXEMPTION**

### **1. Introduction**

- 1.1 The purpose of this Practice Note is to clarify the types of Merger and Acquisition (M&A) proposals that would qualify for the exemption from stamp duty as stated in the Stamp Duty (Exemption) (No. 8) Order 2007 ("Stamp Duty Exemption").
- 1.2 The Stamp Duty Exemption is aimed at encouraging M&As amongst listed companies, which would result in bigger and more investible companies listed on Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad.
- 1.3 This Practice Note shall be known as **"Practice Note on Stamp Duty Exemption"**.

### **2. Criteria for the Exemption**

- 2.1 In order to qualify for the Stamp Duty Exemption, the following criteria must be complied with:
  - (a) The proposal must be a proposal which is approved by the SC from 1 January 2008 to 31 December 2010;
  - (b) The proposal must only involve companies which are financially healthy and not classified under Practice Note 4/2001, Practice Note 17/2005 or Amended Practice Note 17/2005 issued by Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad;
  - (c) The proposal must involve at least two(2) companies listed on Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad and must result in the removal of the listing status of one(1) or more companies from the Official List of Bursa Malaysia Securities Berhad, such that only one(1) company shall be listed on Bursa Malaysia Securities Bhd upon completion of the proposal; and
  - (d) The removal of the listing status stated under paragraph 2.1(c) above must be completed on or before 31 December 2011.

### **3. Miscellaneous Matters**

- 3.1 Upon satisfaction of the criteria under paragraph 2.1 above, the SC would issue a letter of confirmation that the proposal has complied with this Practice Note.
- 3.2 This Practice Note is in force from 1 January 2008.