

Corporate Policy on Internal Control

The Company adopts the SMC Group-wide Corporate Policy on Internal Control (the “Policy”).

The Company is committed to establish and maintain a system of Internal Control for the efficient and effective management of its business operations, and improve the effectiveness of risk management, control and governance processes.

Definition and Objectives of Internal Control

Internal control comprises any action taken by management, the board and other parties to enhance risk management, and increase likelihood that established objectives and goals will be achieved. The primary objectives of internal control are to ensure:

- Reliability and integrity of financial and operational information;
- Effectiveness and efficiency of operation;
- Safeguarding of assets;
- Compliance with policies, plans, procedures, laws, regulations and contracts, and
- Accomplishment of established objectives and goals for operations or programs.

Responsibility of Managers

Every Manager is responsible for ensuring compliance with all financial and operational controls in his area of operations and must implement internal control as part of the total system to achieve Company goals. Managers should conduct a regular evaluation of existing policies, systems and procedures to ensure that these remain relevant and effective to the current operating environment. Further, Managers should give prompt and cooperative consideration to recommended improvement measures made by independent internal or external audit groups.