

THE GROWTH OF SUSTAINABILITY REPORTING VERSUS THE DEATH OF GOING CONCERN ASSUMPTION

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Abstract

The purpose of this paper is for comparing the sustainability reporting to the going concern assumption. Sustainability reporting is a reporting phenomenon that is a trend in the world, especially in the last two decades. This happens because the perceived benefits of sustainability reporting by the various interested parties against the company (stakeholders), both of which have a direct interest or indirect interest. In spite of lingering weakness in sustainability reporting but no doubt that the benefits of sustainability reporting has been felt in seeing the company as a whole, not just from the financial aspect, but also its impact on social aspects, and environmental (Triple Bottom Line). Sustainability reporting is based on real data that shows the company's sustainability. On the other hand, the assumption of a going concern assumption implies that the company will be sustainable in the long run, which was made before the financial statements prepared and is based only on a single bottom line, that is the financial aspect alone. This assumption contains weakness because it can mislead the readers of financial statements. Some companies that have received an unqualified opinion, which means it going concern assumptions are met, it was soon after the opinion was obtained and then went bankrupt or going concern. Thus, the assumption of going concern should no longer be used in the preparation of financial statements for sustainability reporting has been replaced by a broader scope and more give a real picture of the company.

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