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ABSTRACT

The purpose of this study is to identify the effect of quality award announcement on the stock performance in Malaysia from the year of 1996 until 2006. Quality Management Excellence Award (QMEA) has been chosen as the type of quality award. Three methodologies are used in this study which consists of Event Study Methodology, Capital Assets Pricing Model (CAPM) and Treynor & Jensen's Index. The data used in this study consist of the data from Bursa Malaysia Composite Index (BMCI), Treasury Bills, Beta of the stocks and also daily closing prices of companies winning the Quality Management Excellence Award (QMEA) from the year of 1996 until 2006.

It was found that the results were consistent with findings of previous researches, suggesting the absence of abnormal returns for winner companies. The evidence suggests that the stock market is semi-strong efficient with respect to the effect announcement of winning the Quality Management Excellence Award (QMEA) on its recipients.