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ABSTRACT

Purpose: The purpose of this study is to assess the level of job satisfaction, job stress,

organizational commitment and intention to leave among employees of Sarawak Energy Bhd

(SEB). The components of organizational commitment include affective commitment,

continuance commitment and normative commitment. Sample populations are the staffs of

SEB consist of executive and non-executive employees from various ages, working tenure

and level of education.

Design / Methodology / Approach: The study employ established questionnaires to collect

data such as Minnesota Satisfaction Questionnaire (Weiss, Darwis, England & Lofquist:

1967), Organization Commitment Questionnaires (Allen and Meyer: 1990) and Workplace

scale developed by Tate, Whatley and Clugston (1997). It is divided into four parts: job

satisfaction, job stress, organizational commitment and intention to leave. An organizational

commitment questionnaire was used to measure affective commitment, continuance

commitment and normative commitment.

Findings: In general, the findings found that the employees of SEB have a moderate level of

job satisfaction, organizational commitment and intention to leave. For job stress, the study

indicates that it is at low to moderate level. Howe ever, the management should concern to

this results as it giving a signal on what would happen at SEB in future undertaking.

Originality / Value: This research is very important as it conceals areas that need

improvement and attention by the management. The results of this study are beneficial to

better understand the influence of job satisfaction, job stress, organizational commitment

and job stress from the organization.

It is suggested that the organization carried out study that focusing on how good their take

care of employees and conducting yearly organizational climate survey.

Keywords: Job satisfaction, job stress, organizational commitment, Intention to leave and

SEB.

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1. CHAPTER ONE: INTRODUCTION

The state of Sarawak has an ambitious plan of adding over 7,000 ¹megawatts of generating energy capacity by the year 2020 to support the 'energy-hungry' industries shortlisted by Sarawak Corridor of Renewable Energy (SCORE). This will be an increase of more than 600 percent to the current energy production in the state. To support this ambitious target, in July 2008, Sarawak government had announced the construction of 12 hydroelectric dams. With solid financial credentials, Sarawak Energy Bhd (SEB) looks set to fulfill the state's ambition.

With the strength of 3000 employees throughout the state of Sarawak, SEB is now being transformed into a major energy and utility player in Sarawak as well as in the region via the consolidation of the State power generation, transmission, the power and energy provider, spearheading the thrust as the State's flagship energy and utility group, hence complementing the rapid development growth of Sarawak.

With such ambitious plan, this requires augmentation of capability and capacity across the value chain including manufacturing, construction, fuel and material supplies, project planning and implementation, financial management, operations and maintenance.

While investments are being made and a large number of projects are being launched to address the various challenges, availability of skilled manpower is becoming a major constraint. The lack of this skilled manpower to execute the planned projects, operate and maintain them is already being felt. This shortage of skilled staff with the required skills at the management level and technical expertise to support the increasing growth of SEB's project may affect SEB's performance and future potential growth.

Organizations want to retain their employees in order to benefit from their talent and skills. While working in an organization, employees come across some 'problems' both inside and outside the organization. This research will assess the level of intention to leave, job stress, job satisfactions and organization commitment among SEB employees in Sarawak as perceived by them. Through the assessments made from various perspectives mentioned, recommendation will be made to the organization.

¹ SEB annual report 2010, pg. 31