

# Quarterly Compliance Report based on AAOIFI Shariah Mandate (Annual-2010)

## Plus Expressways Berhad (PLUS MY)

## **Description**

PLUS Expressways Berhad is a Malaysia-based investment holding company. The Company is engaged in providing expressway services through the operation and maintenance of a tolled expressway network

## **Company Status**

IdealRatings analysts have issued a new report regarding the company:

Name: Plus Expressways Berhad

Ticker: PLUS MY
Country: Malaysia

Core Business Activity: Highways / Railtracks

Exchange: Bursa Malaysia

Compliance Status: Shariah-compliant

#### **Overview**

IdealRatings reviewed the most recent financial statements (Annual-2010) for Plus Expressways Berhad. The report has been prepared to determine the Shariah-compliance status of the company based on the AAOIFI Shariah mandate.

#### **Business Screening**

Based on the business of the company, the core activity is compliant.

The group is primarily engaged in the operation and maintenance of toll roads and expressways. Thus, it is to be considered Shariah-compliant from a business perspective.

Based on the company's latest Annual statement (2010), the non-permissible income including interest

income only represents 2.7% of the total revenue and thus is not exceeding the 5% threshold level as defined by AAOIFI.

Therefore the status of the company from a business activity is as follows:

	Threshold	Company	Compliance
Non-permissible Income	5%	Does not Exceed 5%	PASS

### **Financial Screening**

According to the most recent available financial statement with adequate information (2010-Annual) the financial ratios with respect to the AAOIFI Shariah mandate for the company are as follows:

	Threshold	Industries	Compliance	
Interest-bearing Investments	30%	5.14%	PASS	
Interest-bearing Debts	30%	9.34%	PASS	
Liquidity	67%	32.53%	PASS	
Share Type (Preference or Common)	Common	Common	PASS	

#### Borrowings and debt securities

Details of Group borrowings and financial liabilities as at 31 December 2010 are as follows:

	Long term borrowings/			Short term borrowings/		
	financial liabilities			financial liabilities		
	Secured	Unsecured	Total	Secured	Unsecured	Total
	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000	RM'000
Islamic Financial Liabilities						
- Senior Sukuk	1,350,000	-	1,350,000	550,000	-	550,000
- Sukuk Series 1	1,491,547	-	1,491,547	384,016	-	384,016
- Sukuk Series 2	1,507,544	-	1,507,544	-	-	-
- Sukuk Series 3	1,821,749	-	1,821,749	-	-	-
- Seafield Sukuk	862,137	-	862,137	-	-	-
- KLBK BAIDS	167,534	-	167,534	4,943	-	4,943
- PLUS SPV Sukuk	1,429,054	-	1,429,054	-	-	-
	8,629,565	-	8,629,565	938,959	-	938,959
Other borrowings						
- Elite GSL	389,916	-	389,916	-	-	-
- Linkedua GSL	1,256,803	-	1,256,803	-	-	-
- BKSP Term Loan (denominated in						
Indian Rupees)	-	-	-	2,254	-	2,254
- BKSP CP (denominated in Indian						
Rupees)	-	-	-	131,844	-	131,844
- INIPPL Term Loan (denominated						
in Indian Rupees)	178,086	-	178,086	6,847	-	6,847
	1,824,805	-	1,824,805	140,945	-	140,945
TOTAL	10,454,370	-	10,454,370	1,079,904	-	1,079,904

(Source: Financial Statement)

Due to the IdealRatings methodology which differentiates between interest-bearing debts & Shariah-compliant borrowing such as Sukuks, and based on the debt ratio calculation of the AAOIFI Shariah mandate: interest-bearing debt to 12-month average market capitalization, the figure above shows that about 87% of the company's borrowings are Shariah-compliant. The borrowings are mainly in the form of Sukuk & KLBK BAIDS which is a form of Islamic loan while conventional debt contribution to the borrowing scheme is only 13%.

If total figures for debt would have been used, the company would have failed.

#### Compliance Status

Based on the available information and the above figures according to the AAOIFI Shariah mandate **Plus Expressways Berhad** is to be considered **Shariah-compliant**.



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