## **CHAPTER V**

# CONCLUSION

#### 5.1 Conclusion

This research studies the impact of long-term leverage, short-term leverage, and firm size on firm performance, comparing IDX Energy and NYSE Energy. Based on the research, it can be concluded as follows:

- Long-term leverage has a significant positive impact on firm performance in IDX Energy and NYSE Energy. This result is shown as the p-value of 0.003 and 0.000 for IDX Energy and NYSE Energy, which is less than 0.05 significant. This result is supported by Egbunike & Okerekeoti (2018), Ibhagui & Olokoyo's (2018), A et al. (2018), Bawazir et al. (2019), Angkasajaya et al. (2020), and Bhattarai (2020), Iqbal and Usman (2018) research. Thus, H<sub>1a</sub> and H<sub>1b</sub> are accepted.
- 2. Short-term leverage does not impact significantly on firm performance for IDX Energy. This result is displayed by the p-value of 0.063 higher than 0.05 significant—contrary short-term leverage has a significant positive impact on firm performance in NYSE Energy with a p-value of 0.000 lower than 0.05. Rahman, Kakuli, Parvin, & Sultana (2020) support IDX Energy's result that short-term leverage does not significantly impact the firm's performance. On the other hand, Ibhagui & Olokoyo (2018), A et al. (2018), Bhattarai (2020), Iqbal and Usman (2018), Egbunike & Okerekeoti (2018), Bawazir et al. (2019) and Haslinda et al. (2020) support that short-term leverage has a significant positive impact on firm performance. Thus, H<sub>2a</sub> is rejected but H<sub>2b</sub> is accepted.
- 3. Firm Size has a significant negative impact on firm performance in IDX Energy and NYSE Energy. This result is shown as the p-value of 0.000 for both IDX Energy and NYSE Energy, which is less than 0.05. This finding



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aligns with the past research by Danson, Lartey, Gyimah, & Adu-Ameyaw (2020), and Mishra & Dasgupta (2019). Thus, H<sub>3a</sub> and H<sub>3b</sub> is accepted.

### 5.2 Recommendation

The author hopes to give some recommendations regarding this topic. Here are some inputs that the author can deliver as follows:

- For future research, the authors recommend that more studies regarding the energy industry from a different object be conducted because there has not been much research regarding the variable affecting firm performance that focused on the energy sector.
- Future research could also study more variables related to firm performance in the energy sector because the adjusted R square of IDX Energy and NYSE Energy is 32.2% and 21.7%. Conclusion This result means that 67,8% and 78.3% of variables haven't been tested in this research.
- For IDX Energy, companies should increase the long-term leverage as it effectively increases the firm's performance. IDX Energy companies could use NYSE Energy's average long-term leverage to benchmark the optimum capital structure.
- 4. As the firm size has harmed the firm's performance, the companies in IDX Energy and NYSE Energy. The principal should increase the monitoring and build a bond with the agents. Furthermore, the agents should be given appropriate compensation to encourage agents to act in the principal's best interest.

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