ABSTRACT

This study aims to examine and analyze the effect of the characteristics of the company, the tax rate, the audit committee, and quality audits of tax avoidance which is calculated by the current income tax expense divided by income before taxes. Characteristics of the company that is proxied by the size of the company. The tax rate is proxied by dummy variables. The audit committee is measured by the number of audit committee members in the company. Audit quality is measured by the amount used by the company KAP (KAP The big four and KAP non The big four).

Population in this research are manufacturing companies listed on the Stock Exchange during 2008 to 2014. This period was chosen because of changes in tax rates starting in 2009. This study used a sample meets the characteristics of variables used in order to obtain 26 or 182 companies during 2008-2014.

This study uses multiple linear regression analysis test. Based on the test results of multiple regression analysis with significance level of 5%, then the results of this study concluded that: (1) the size of the company effect on tax avoidance (2) the tax rate effect on tax avoidance (3) the audit committee has no effect on tax avoidance (4) the quality of audit effect on tax avoidance.

Keywords: characteristics of the company, size of company, the tax rate, the audit committee, the quality audit, tax avoidance.