

PTTEP Definition of Independent Director

The Good Corporate Governance of PTTEP has defined the qualification of Independent Director stricter than those defined by the Capital Market Supervisory Board the details of which as in Article 1 the shareholding. The PTTEP Definition of Independent Director is as follows;

1. holding shares not exceeding 0.5 per cent of the total number of shares with voting rights of PTTEP, its parent company, subsidiary company, associate company, major shareholder or controlling person, including shares held by related persons of such independent director.

2. neither being nor used to be an executive director, employee, staff, advisor who receives salary, or controlling person of PTTEP, its parent company, subsidiary company, associate company, same-level subsidiary company, major shareholder or controlling person, unless the foregoing status has ended not less than two years prior to the date of filing an application with the Office. Such prohibited characteristic shall not include the case where the independent director used to be a government official or advisor of a government unit which is a major shareholder or controlling person of PTTEP.

3. not being a person related by blood or legal registration as father, mother, spouse, sibling, and child, including spouse of child, executive, major shareholder, controlling person, or person to be nominated as executive or controlling person of PTTEP or its subsidiary company.

4. neither having nor used to have a business relationship with PTTEP, its parent company, subsidiary company, associate company, major shareholder or controlling person, in the manner which may interfere with his independent judgement, and neither being nor used to be a significant shareholder or controlling person of any person having a business relationship with PTTEP, its parent company, subsidiary company, associate company, major shareholder or controlling person, unless the foregoing relationship has ended not less than two years.

The term ‘business relationship’ under the first paragraph shall include any normal business transaction, rental or lease of immovable property, transaction relating to assets or services or granting or receipt of financial assistance through receiving or extending loans, guarantee, providing assets as collateral, and any other similar actions, which result in PTTEP or his counterparty being subject to indebtedness payable to the other party in the amount of three percent or more of the net tangible assets of PTTEP or twenty million baht or more, whichever is lower. The amount of such indebtedness shall be calculated according to the method for calculation of value of connected transactions under the Notification of the Capital Market Supervisory Board governing rules on connected transactions mutatis mutandis. The consideration of such indebtedness shall include indebtedness occurred during the period of one year prior to the date on which the business relationship with the person commences.

5. neither being nor used to be an auditor of PTTEP, its parent company, subsidiary company, associate company, major shareholder or controlling person, and not being a significant shareholder, controlling person, or partner of an audit firm which employs auditors of PTTEP, its parent company, subsidiary company, associate company, major shareholder or controlling person, unless the foregoing relationship has ended not less than two years.

6. neither being nor used to be a provider of any professional services including those as legal advisor or financial advisor who receives service fees exceeding two million baht per year from PTTEP, its parent company, subsidiary company, associate company, major shareholder or controlling person, and not being a significant shareholder, controlling person or partner of the provider of professional services, unless the foregoing relationship has ended not less than two years.

7. not undertaking any business in the same nature and in competition to the business of PTTEP or its subsidiary company or not being a significant partner in a partnership or being an executive director, employee, staff, advisor who receives salary or holding shares exceeding one per cent of the total number of shares with voting rights of other company which undertakes business in the same nature and in competition to the business of PTTEP or its subsidiary company;

8. not being a director appointed as representative of directors of PTTEP, major shareholder or shareholder who is related to major shareholder.

9. not having any other characteristics which cause the inability to express independent opinions with regard to PTTEP's business operations.

After being appointed as independent director with the qualifications under Article 1 to Article 9, the independent director may be assigned by the board of directors to take part in the business decision of PTTEP, its parent company, subsidiary company, associate company, same-level subsidiary company, major shareholder or controlling person, provided that such decision shall be in the form of collective decision.

Hence, definition of each specific words mentioned herein is subjected to the Notification of the Capital Market Supervisory Board RE: Determination of Definitions relating to Issuance and Offer for Sale of Securities.
