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ABSTRACT

This study aims to examine the customer satisfaction, switching costs, and perceived service quality on customer loyalty at the container shipping industry in PT Lintas Indonesia Timur Lines. Data for this study were obtained directly from respondents who knew and used the service of PT Lintas Indonesia Timur Lines for at least 3 months. The sample used in this study is 150 respondents with the age of \geq 17 years. Using purposive sampling and SEM analysis technique with LISREL 8.70 program.

Based on the respondents in this study, customer satisfaction have an influence on switching costs, where if the customer satisfaction is low than customer choose to switch to other service company high and vice versa. As well as perceived service quality have an influence on switching costs, where if the service quality is good than customer will remain loyal to the service company and vice versa. As switching costs have negative and significant impact to customer loyalty, it caused by customer in PT Lintas Indonesia Timur Lines already satisfied and service quality is good so customer choose to remain loyal to the service company.

Keywords: Customer Loyalty, Customer Satisfaction, Switching Costs, and Perceived Service Quality

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ABSTRAK

Penelitian ini bertujuan untuk menguji pengaruh *Customer Satisfaction, Switching Costs, dan Perceived Service Quality terhadap Customer Loyalty* di PT Lintas Indonesia Timur Lines. Data untuk penelitian ini diperoleh langsung dari pelanggan PT Lintas Indonesia Timur Lines yang mengetahui dan menggunakan jasa selama minimal tiga bulan terakhir. Sampel yang digunakan sebanyak 150 responden dengan usia \geq 17 tahun. Menggunakan teknik *purposive sampling* dan menggunakan teknik analisis SEM dengan program LISREL 8.70.

Berdasarkan responden dalam penelitian ini, kepuasan pelanggan memiliki pengaruh terhadap peralihan biaya, dimana jika kepuasan pelanggan rendah dari pelanggan memilih untuk beralih ke perusahaan jasa lain yang lebih baik dan sebaliknya. Serta kualitas layanan yang dirasakan memiliki pengaruh pada peralihan biaya, di mana jika kualitas layanan baik maka pelanggan akan tetap loyal kepada perusahaan jasa dan sebaliknya. Karena peralihan biaya memiliki dampak negatif dan signifikan terhadap loyalitas pelanggan, hal itu disebabkan oleh pelanggan di PT Lintas Indonesia Timur Lines yang sudah puas dan kualitas layanan baik sehingga pelanggan memilih untuk tetap loyal kepada perusahaan.

Kata Kunci: Customer Loyalty, Customer Satisfaction, Switching Cost, and Perceived Service Quality