NPD – exploration drilling result

28/08/2007 Press Release 30/2007:Det Norske Oljeselskap ASA, operator of production licence 305, has completed drilling of wildcat well 24/9-8. The well is located about 20 km south of the Alvheim field in the North Sea.

The purpose of the well was to prove petroleum in the lower Paleogenic reservoir rocks in a prospect called Lie. The well was dry. Good quality Heimdal reservoir sand was encountered.

The well is the first exploration well drilled in production licence 305. The licence was awarded in APA 2003 (Awards in Predefined Areas). The well was drilled to a vertical depth of 2165 m below the sea surface, and was concluded in the Lista formation in the Lower Paleogene.

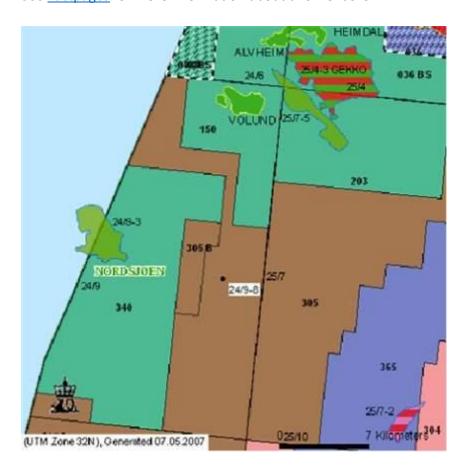
Water depth at the site was 123 m. The well will now be permanently plugged and abandoned.

Well 24/9-8 was drilled using the *Bredford Dolphin* drilling facility, which will now drill a wildcat well in production licence 338 in the North Sea, operated by Lundin Norway AS.

The licensees in production licence 305 are:

Det Norske Oljeselskap ASA (operator):	30%
Revus Energy ASA:	30%
Talisman Energy Norge AS:	30%
PA Resources Norway AS:	10%

See <u>Factpages</u> for more information about this wellbore.



08/05/2007 The Norwegian Petroleum Directorate has granted Det Norske Oljeselskap (DNO) AS a drilling permit for wellbore 24/9-8, ref. Section 8 of the Resource Management Regulations.

Wellbore 24/9-8 will be drilled from the drilling facility *Bredford Dolphin* at position 59°21′ 59.99″ North and 01°57′ 17.97″ East.

The semi-submersible rig will be coming directly from the engineering workshop in Poland.

The drilling program for wellbore 24/9-8 relates to drilling of a wildcat well in production licence 305. DNO is the operator with a 30 per cent ownership interest. The other licensees are Revus and Talisman, each with 30 per cent and PA Resources with 10 per cent.

The area in this production licence consists of parts of blocks 24/9 and 25/9, situated about 20 km south of the Alvheim field in the middle part of the North Sea. Production licence 305 was awarded in a predefined areas award in 2003. This is the first well to be drilled in this production licence.

The permit is contingent upon the operator securing all other permits and consents required by other authorities before the drilling activity commences.

