

## NPD – exploration drilling result

05/10/2007 The Norwegian Petroleum Directorate has granted Norsk Hydro Produksjon AS a drilling permit for wellbore 25/11-25 S in the North Sea.

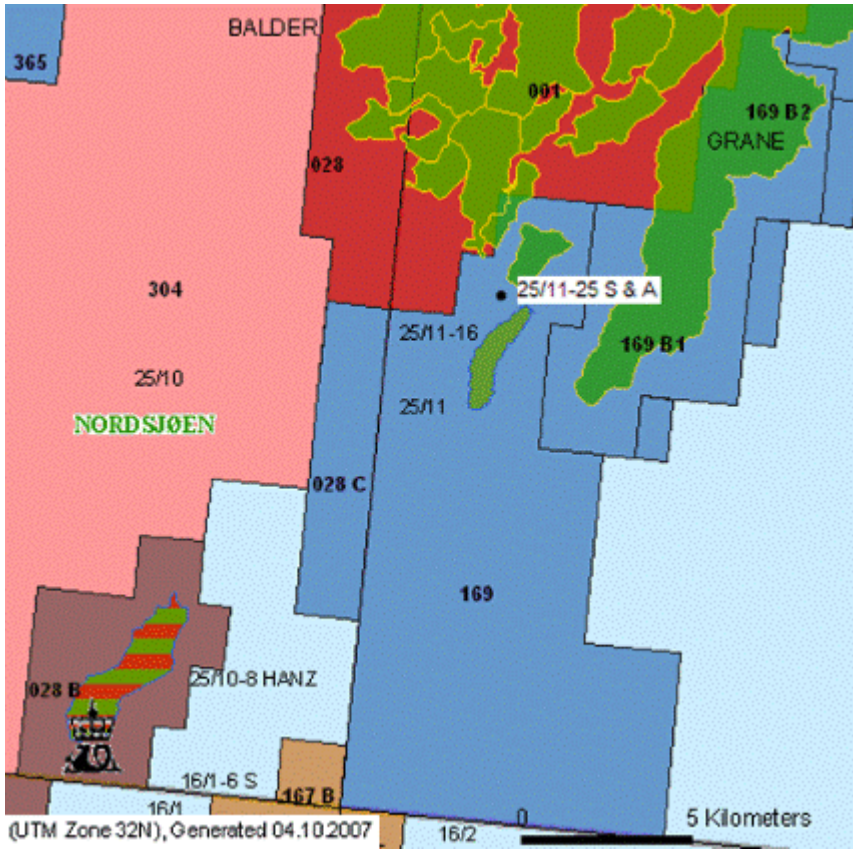
The drilling program for well bore 25/11-25 S concerns drilling of an exploration well in production licence 169 in the North Sea. StatoilHydro is the operator with a 45 per cent ownership interest. Other licensees are ExxonMobil with an ownership interest of 13 per cent, Petoro with 30 per cent and Statoil with 12 per cent.

The area in this permit consists of parts of block 25/11 which lies south of the Balder field and southwest of the Grane field in the central part of the North Sea. Production licence 169 was awarded in the 13th licensing round in 1991. This is the eleventh exploration well to be drilled in this production licence.

Wellbore 25/11-25 S will be drilled from the *Transocean Winner* facility. The semi-submersible facility is returning from drilling in production licence 107 in the Norwegian Sea.

The drilling permit is granted on the condition that all other permits and consents required by other authorities have been secured before the drilling activity commences.

See [Factpages](#) for more information about this wellbore.



## 25/11-25 S

20/02/2008 Press release 13/2008: StatoilHydro Petroleum AS, as the operator of production licence 169, has completed the drilling of wildcat well 25/11-25 S. The well is located just to the southwest of the Grane field in the North Sea.

The purpose of the well was to prove petroleum in Paleogene reservoir rocks. The well proved oil. The size of the discovery is estimated to 3 - 5 million Sm<sup>3</sup> of recoverable oil. The discovery is interesting and may, seen in the context of other discoveries in the area, have potential for further development.

The well is the 13th exploration well in production licence 169. The licence was awarded in the 13th licensing round in 1991.

The well was not formation tested, but comprehensive data collection and sampling have been carried out. The well was drilled to a vertical depth of 1804 metres below sea level and terminated in Paleogene rocks.

The sea depth is 125 metres. The well will now be permanently plugged and abandoned.

Well 25/11-25 S was drilled by the semisubmersible drilling facility *Transocean Winner*, which will now drill wildcat well 25/11-25 A, as a sidestep, to prove petroleum in a nearby prospect in the same production licence.

The licensees in production licence 169 (see NPD' fact pages)

