

NPD – exploration drilling result

22/10/2007 The Norwegian Petroleum Directorate (NPD) has granted ENI Norge AS a drilling permit for wellbore 34/12-1 in the North Sea.

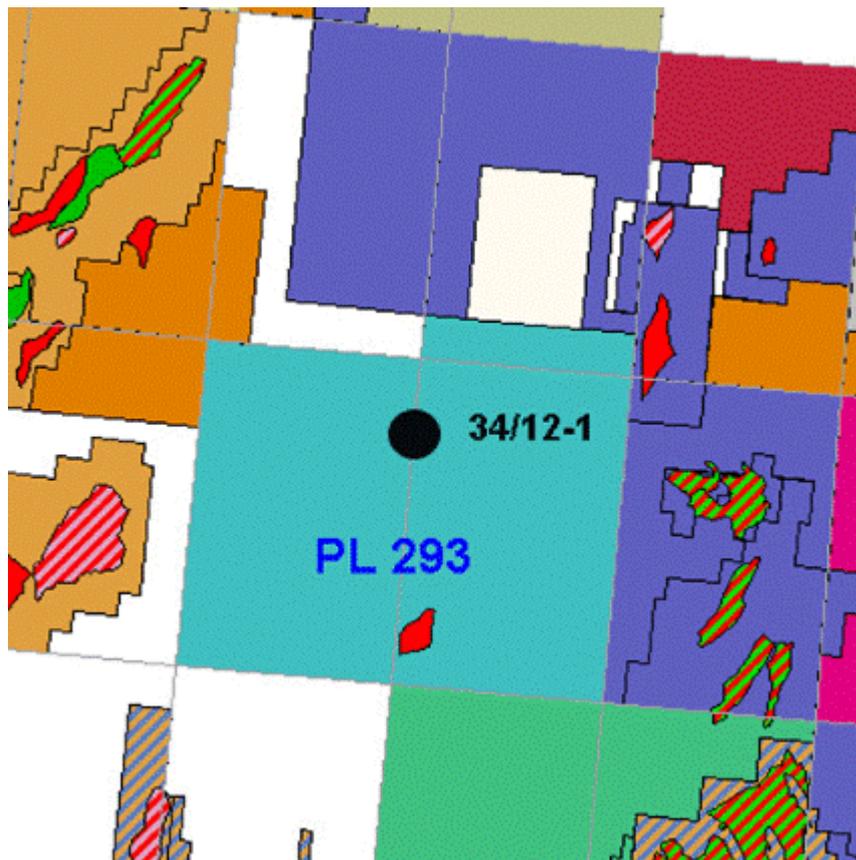
The drilling program for wellbore 34/12-1 relates to drilling of an exploration well in production licence 293. ENI is the operator of this licence, with a participating interest of 45 per cent. The other licensees are Statoil with 40 per cent and Idemitsu with 15 per cent.

The area in this licence comprises blocks 34/12 and 35/10, as well as parts of 35/7, which are located in the area between Fram and Kvitebjørn. Production licence 293 was awarded in 2003 as part of the North Sea Awards. This is the first exploration well to be drilled in this production licence.

Wellbore 34/12-1 will be drilled from the facility Transocean Leader, with an expected spud date around 20 October.

The permit is conditional upon the operator securing all other permits and consents required by other authorities prior to starting the drilling activity.

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



34/12-1

24/04/2008 Press release 21/2008:Eni Norge AS, as the operator of production licence 293, has completed the drilling of wildcat well 34/12-1. The well was drilled in the Viking graben, 30 km north-east of the Kvitebjørn field in the North Sea.

The objective of the well was to prove petroleum in Jurassic strata in the "Afrodite" prospect.

The well proved gas and condensate in Middle Jurassic strata.

The well has been formation tested, and comprehensive data acquisition and sampling has been carried out. Now the resource potential will be evaluated by ENI.

