

NPD – exploration drilling result

10/04/2008 The Norwegian Petroleum Directorate has granted StatoilHydro Petroleum AS a drilling permit for wellbore 6407/8-4 A, cf. Section 8 of the Resource Management Regulations

Wellbore 6407/8-4S will be drilled from the *West Alpha* drilling facility at position 64° 26' 47.8" N and 07° 38' 54.2" E.

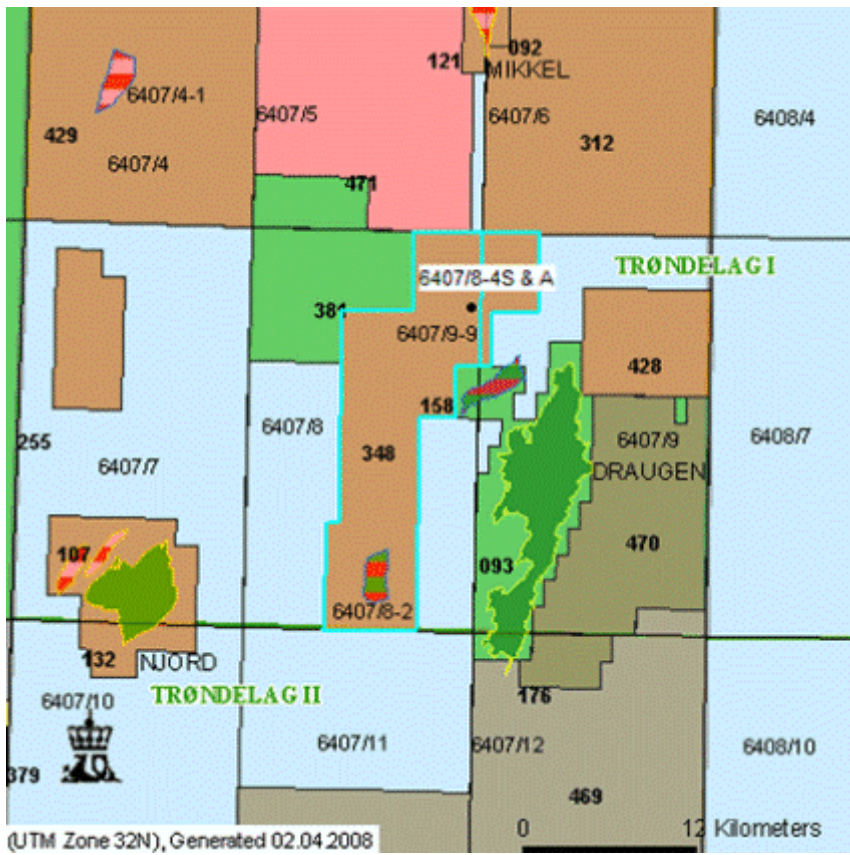
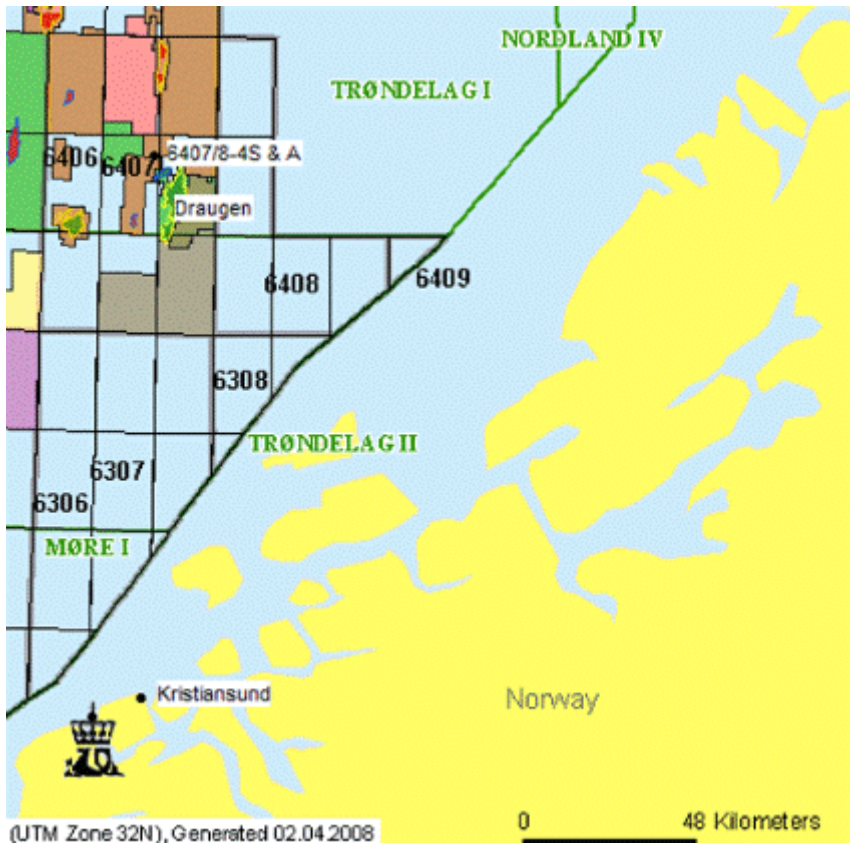
The drilling programme for wellbore 6407/8-4 A relates to the drilling of a sidetrack in production licence 348. StatoilHydro Petroleum AS is the operator with 20%. The other licensees are Gaz de France Norge AS with 20%, Norwegian Energy Company (Noreco) ASA with 17.5%, E.ON Ruhrgas Norge AS with 17.5%, Endeavour Energy Norge AS with 7.5% and Petoro AS with 7.5%.

The acreage in this production licence is located approximately 9 km north-west of Draugen and approximately 150 kilometres north of Kristiansund and covers parts of the blocks 6407/8 and 6407/9. Production licence 348 was awarded in APA in 2004 with Norsk Hydro Produksjon AS as operator. Two exploration wells have been drilled in the production licence.

Wellbore 6407/8-4 A will be drilled from the *West Alpha* semi-submersible drilling facility, once the drilling of wellbore 6407/8-4S is complete.

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

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



6407/8-4 A

16/06/2008 Press Release 32/2008: StatoilHydro Petroleum AS, operator of production licence 348, is currently concluding the drilling of wildcat well 6407/8-4 A. The well is located 30 kilometres north-east of the Njord field and 9 kilometres north-west of the Draugen field in the Norwegian Sea.

The purpose of the well was to prove petroleum in Middle to Lower Jurassic reservoir rocks in the northern segment in a prospect called Galtvort. The well was a planned sidetrack and it proved gas in the Middle to Lower Jurassic reservoir rocks. In May 2008, discovery well 6407/8-4 S proved gas at the same level in the southern segment of the Galtvort prospect. The total size of the discovery is estimated at 1-3 billion Sm³ recoverable gas. The licensees will now evaluate the size of the discovery for further clarification prior to considering potential development solutions. The well was not formation-tested, but extensive data collection and sampling has been done on the reservoir.

These two wells are the first in production licence 348, which was awarded in APA 2004 (Awards in Pre-Defined Areas). The next exploration well in the licence is planned for 2009.

Well 6407/8-4 A was drilled to a vertical depth of 2300 metres below the sea surface, and was concluded in the Åre formation in the Lower Jurassic. Water depth at the site is 266 metres. The well will now be permanently plugged and abandoned.

The well was drilled using the *West Alpha* drilling facility, which will now proceed to production licence 107 in the Norwegian Sea to drill wildcat well 6407/7-8, operated by StatoilHydro.

The licensees in production licence 348.

- Endeavour Energy Norge AS: 2.5%
- Concedo ASA: 5%
- Petoro AS: 7.5%
- E.ON Ruhrgas Norge AS: 17.5%
- Norwegian Energy Company ASA 17.5%
- Gaz de France Norge AS: 20%
- StatoilHydro Petroleum AS: 30%

