

## NPD – exploration drilling result

22/08/2014 The Norwegian Petroleum Directorate has granted Statoil Petroleum AS a drilling permit for well 7125/4-3, cf. Section 8 of the Resource Management Regulations.

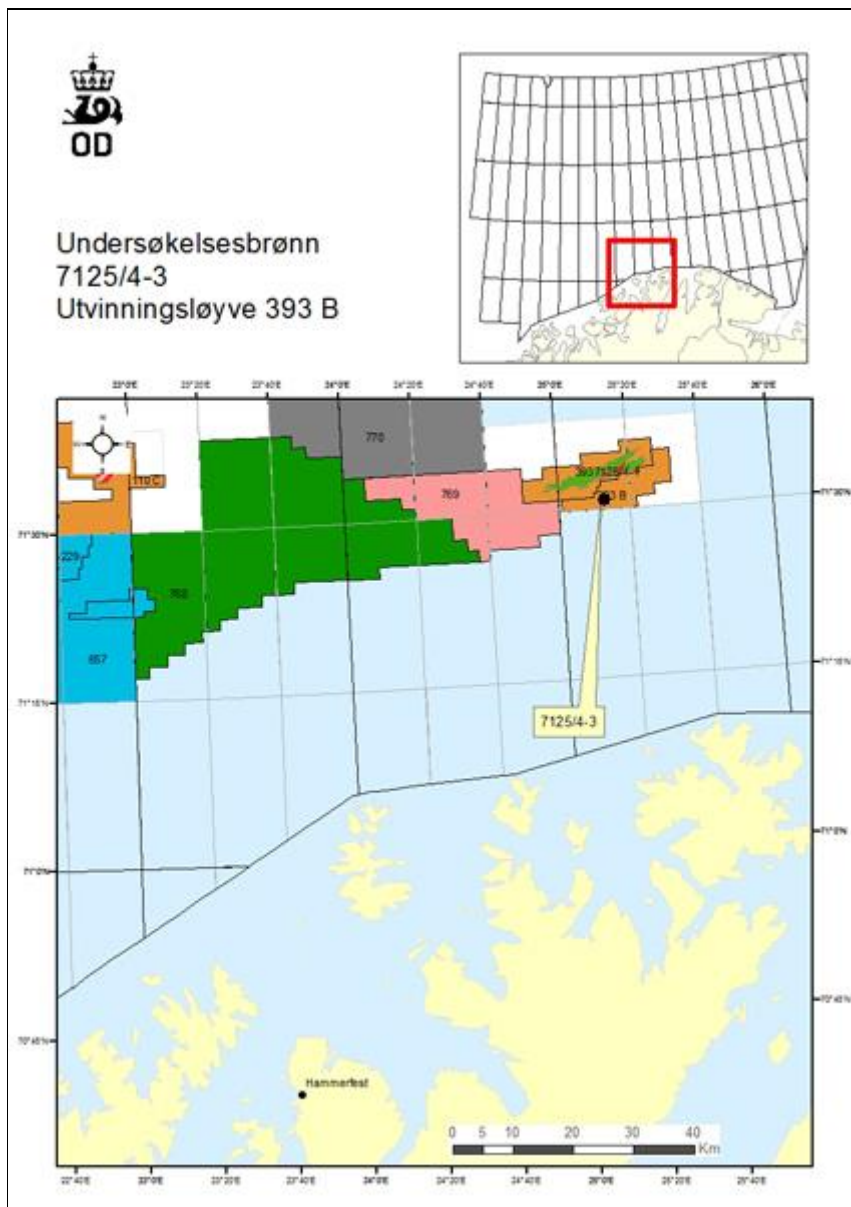
Well 7125/4-3 will be drilled from the *Transocean Spitsbergen* drilling facility at position 71°30'56.40" north and 25°12'56.70" east.

The drilling programme for well 7125/4-3 relates to drilling of a wildcat well in production licence 393 B. Statoil Petroleum AS is the operator with an ownership interest of 50 per cent. The other licensees are Petoro AS (20 per cent), Concedo ASA (20 per cent) and OMV (Norge) AS (10 per cent). The area in this licence consists of parts of block 7125/4 and 7125/5. The well will be drilled about 110 kilometres northeast of Hammerfest.

Production licence 393 B was awarded on 10 September 2010 (follow up to the 19<sup>th</sup> licensing round on the Norwegian shelf). This is the first well to be drilled in the licence.

The permit is contingent upon the operator securing all other permits and consents required by other authorities prior to commencing drilling activities.

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



## 7125/4-2

05/12/2008 Press release 65/2008: StatoilHydro Petroleum AS, operator of production licence 393, has concluded the drilling of appraisal well 7125/4-2 on the 7125/4-1 (Nucula) oil/gas discovery.

Wildcat well 7125/4-1 made an oil/gas discovery in 2007 in rocks from the Late Triassic/Early Jurassic and Middle Triassic Ages. The discovery is located about 110 km northeast of the Goliat discovery in the Barents Sea.

The objective of well 7125/4-2 was to delineate the oil/gas discovery and to examine a different part of the structure.

The well proved a small oil column in Triassic sandstones. The oil-bearing strata were thin, but did exhibit good reservoir properties.

It is too early to estimate the size of the discovery, but preliminary calculations indicate that the original resource estimate of 6-12 million standard cubic metres must be adjusted downward.

The well was not formation-tested, but data collection and sampling have been carried out. Evaluations and analyses will be carried out to clarify the size and extent of the discovery.

This is the second well in production licence 393, which was awarded in the 19th licensing round in 2006 with Norsk Hydro Produksjon AS as operator. The well was drilled to a total vertical depth of 1727 metres below the sea surface, and was concluded in rocks from the Early Triassic Age.

Water depth at the site is 294 metres. The well will now be permanently plugged and abandoned.

The well was drilled using the semi-submersible drilling facility *Polar Pioneer*, which will now proceed to production licence 228 to drill appraisal well 7223/5-1, operated by StatoilHydro Petroleum AS.

Licensees in production licence 393 (see NPD's fact pages)

