## NPD – exploration drilling result

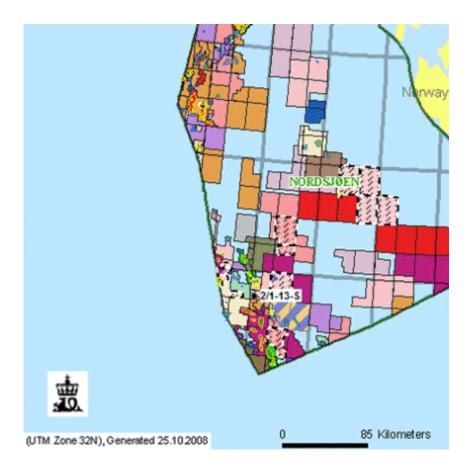
30/10/2008 The Norwegian Petroleum Directorate (NPD) has granted Talisman Energy Norge AS a drilling permit for well 2/1-13 S in the North Sea.

The drilling program for wellbore 2/1-13 S relates to the drilling of a wildcat well in the southern North Sea.

Talisman Energy Norge AS is the operator with a 60 per cent ownership interest. The other licensee is Dong E&P Norge AS with a 40 per cent ownership interest.

The area of the production licence consists of parts of block 2/1, which was awarded in 2003 (APA 2003). Wellbore 2/1-13 S is the first well to be drilled in the production licence, and it will be drilled by the *Mærsk Guardian* drilling facility. The well is located just south of the Gyda field, operated by Talisman Energy Norge AS.

The permit is conditional on the operator obtaining all other permits and consents required by other authorities before the drilling activity commences.



See  $\underline{\text{Factpages}}$  for more information about this wellbore.