

NPD – exploration drilling result

01/04/2009 Press release 19/2009 ExxonMobil Exploration and Production Norway AS has concluded the drilling of wildcat well 15/6-10. Det norske oljeselskap ASA (Det norske) carried out the drilling operations on behalf of ExxonMobil. The well, which proved gas/condensate, is located 30 kilometres north of the Sleipner Field in the North Sea.

The purpose of the well was to prove petroleum in Middle Jurassic reservoir rocks. The well proved a gas/condensate column of about 30 metres in Middle Jurassic sandstone with poorer reservoir development than expected.

The well was not formation-tested, but data collection and sampling were carried out. Further evaluations are being made by the licensees in the production licence to determine the size of the discovery.

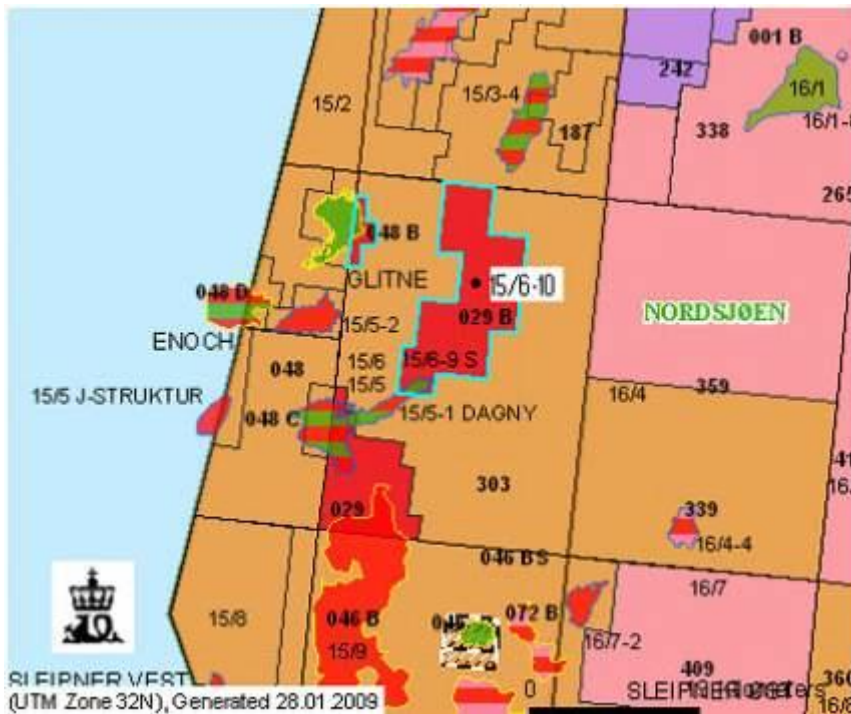
The well was drilled to a vertical depth of 3672 m below the sea surface and was concluded in the Skagerrak formation in the Upper Triassic. The well will now be permanently plugged and abandoned.

This is the first wildcat well in production licence 029 B, which was carved out of production licence 029 in 2001.

Well 15/6-10 was drilled by the *Bredford Dolphin* drilling facility at a depth of 111 metres. The drilling facility will be moved to production licence 027 D in the North Sea where it will drill wildcat well 25/8-16 S. ExxonMobil Exploration and Production Norway AS is the operator.

Licensees in [production licence 029 B](#)

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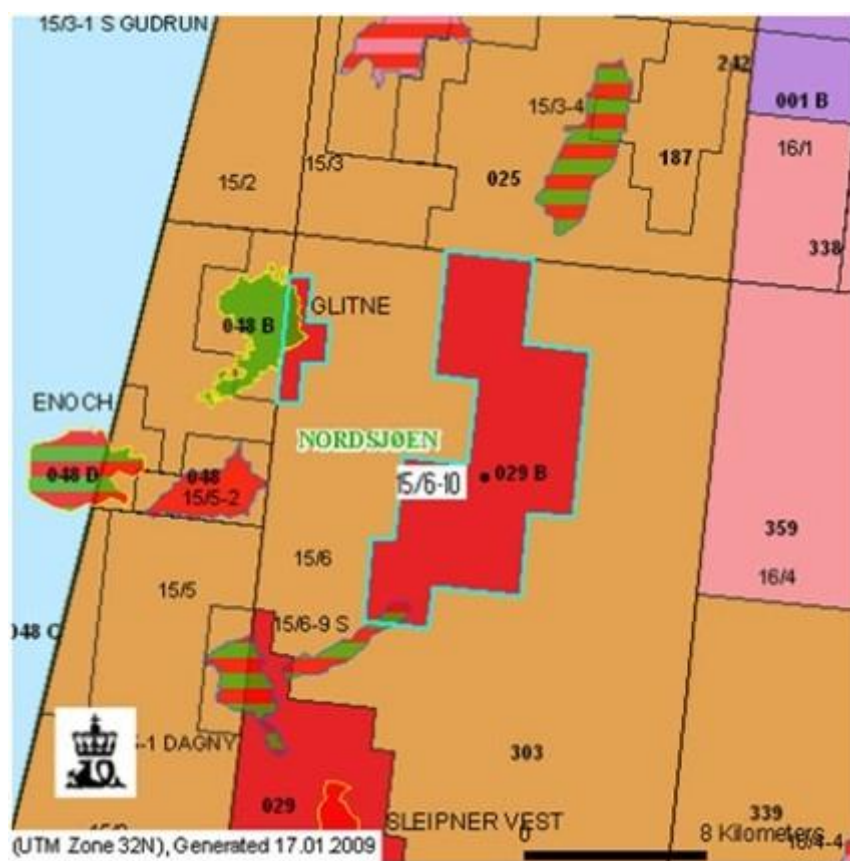
21/01/2009 The Norwegian Petroleum Directorate has granted ExxonMobil Exploration & Production Norway AS a drilling permit for wellbore 15/6-10, ref. Section 8 of the Resource Management Regulations.

Wellbore 15/6-10 will be drilled from the *Bredford Dolphin* drilling facility at position 58° 40' 55.72" North and 1° 50' 15.19" East, after the facility concludes drilling of wildcat well 16/1-10 for Lundin Norway AS in production license 338.

The drilling program for wellbore 15/6-10 applies to drilling of a wildcat well in production licence 029 B. The area in this production licence consists of parts of block 15/6. Well 15/6-10 is located just northeast of the 15/5-1 Dagny discovery and about 10 km north of the Sleipner fields in the North Sea.

Production licence 029 B was awarded on 11 May 2001 as a supplement to the second licensing round. This is the first well drilled in the production licence.

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.



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