

NPD – exploration drilling result

18/06/2009 The Norwegian Petroleum Directorate has granted BG Norge AS a drilling permit for wellbore 17/12-4.

Wellbore 17/12-4 will be drilled from the drilling facility *West Alpha* at position 58°10'37.58"N and 3°55'11.05"E.

The drilling program for wellbore 17/12-4 applies to the drilling of an appraisal well in production licence 407. The well will delineate the old oil discovery 17/12-1 Bream proven in 1972 by Phillips Petroleum Company. BG Norge AS is the operator with a 40 percent stake. Licensees are Skeie Energy AS, Spring Energy Exploration AS and Premier Oil Norge AS, who all have 20 percent stakes. Production licence 407 was awarded in APA 2006

The area in the production license consists of parts of the blocks 17/8, 9, 11 and 12 northwest of the Yme field in the south-eastern part of North Sea. Well 17/12-4 is the first exploration well in the production license.

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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