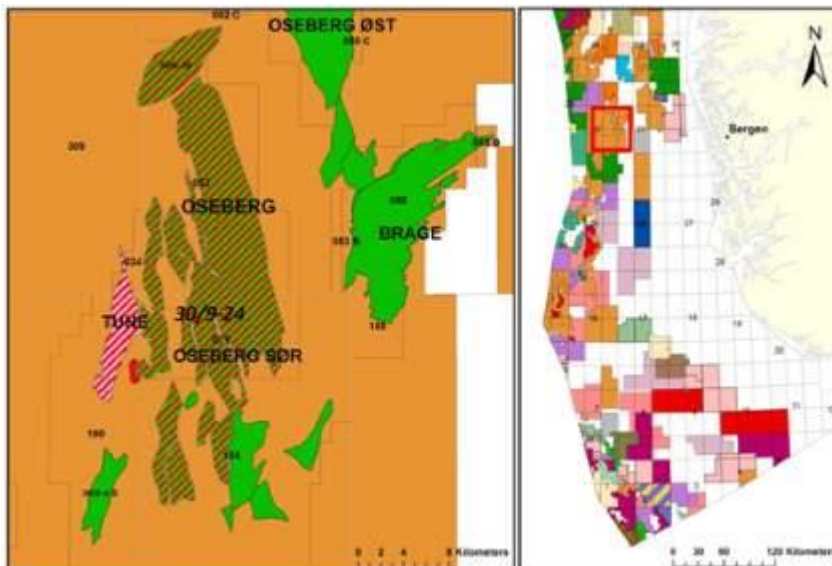# [NPD](#) – exploration drilling result

24/08/2009 The Norwegian Petroleum Directorate (NPD) has issued a drilling permit to StatoilHydro Petroleum AS for wellbore 30/9-24, ref. Section 8 of the Resource Management Regulations.

The drilling program for wellbore 30/9-24 relates to the drilling of a wildcat well in production licence 079. The well will be drilled from the *Transocean Leader* drilling facility at position 60°29´05.4" North and 02°42´41.8" East.

The area in this licence consists of block 30/9 on the Oseberg field in the North Sea. StatoilHydro Petroleum AS is the operator with a 49.3 per cent ownership interest. The licensees are Petoro AS with 33.6 per cent, Total with 10 per cent, ExxonMobil with 4.7 per cent and ConocoPhillips with a 2.4 per cent ownership interest.

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

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

30/9-24

26/10/2009 StatoilHydro Petroleum AS, operator of production licence 079, has concluded the drilling of wildcat well 30/9-24. The well was drilled about six kilometres west of the Oseberg field in the North Sea.

The objective of the well was to prove petroleum in Lower Jurassic reservoir rocks belonging to the Statfjord formation. The well is dry. Reservoir rocks with significant thickness and medium to good reservoir quality were encountered in the Lower Jurassic.

30/9-24 is the eighth exploration well in production licence 079. The licence was awarded in the 6th licensing round in 1982. The well was drilled to a vertical depth of 3 744 metres below the sea surface, and was completed in the Hegre group in the Upper Triassic. Water depth at the site is 107 metres. The well will now be permanently plugged and abandoned.

Well 30/9-24 was drilled by the drilling facility *Transocean Leader*, which will now proceed to production licence 134 B / 134 C in the Norwegian Sea to drill well 6506/11-B-3H, where StatoilHydro ASA is the operator.