

NPD – exploration drilling result

06/01/2010 The Norwegian Petroleum Directorate has granted a drilling permit to Statoil Petroleum AS for wellbore 34/4-12 A, cf. Section 8 of the Resource Management Regulations.

Wellbore 34/4-12 A will be drilled from the drilling facility *Ocean Vanguard* at position 61°33' 08.1" North and 2°17' 37.7" East following the completion of the drilling of wildcat well 34/4-12 S for the same operator.

The drilling program for wellbore 34/4-12 A concerns the drilling of wildcat wells in production licences 057 and 089, Snorre Unit, located just northeast of the Snorre field in the North Sea.

Statoil Petroleum AS is the operator with a 33.317 per cent ownership interest. The other licensees are Petoro AS (30 per cent), ExxonMobil E&P Norway AS (11.585 per cent), Idemitsu Petroleum AS (9.6 per cent), RWE Dea Norge AS (8.281 per cent), Total E&P Norge AS (6.179 per cent) and Hess Norge AS (1.038 per cent).

The area in the Snorre Unit consists of blocks 34/4 and 34/7.

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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