

## NPD – exploration drilling result

21/04/2010 The Norwegian Petroleum Directorate has granted BP Norge AS a drilling permit for wellbore 6507/5-6 S in the Norwegian Sea, cf. Section 8 of the Resource Management Regulations.

Wellbore 6507/5-6 S will be drilled from the drilling facility *Borgland Dolphin* at position 65°44' 19.36" North and 07°39' 20.52" East.

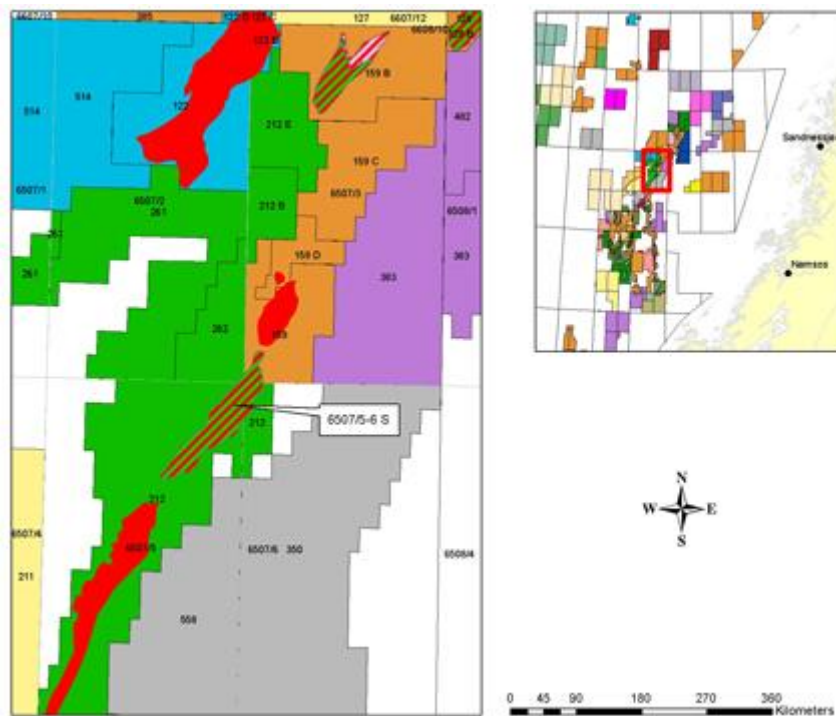
The drilling program for wellbore 6507/5-6 S relates to drilling of a wildcat well in production licence 212. BP Norge AS is operator with a 30 per cent ownership interest. The other licensees are Statoil Petroleum AS (30 per cent), E.ON Ruhrgas Norge AS (25 per cent) and PGNIG Norway AS (15 per cent).

Well 6507/5-6 S will be drilled from a subsea template on the Skarv field. The production licence comprises parts of blocks 6507/5 and 6507/6. The production licence was awarded in the 15th licensing round on the Norwegian shelf in 1996.

Wildcat well 6507/5-6 S is the seventh exploration well in production licence 212.

The permit is contingent upon the operator having secured all other permits and consents required by other authorities before the drilling activity starts.

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



## 6507/5-6 S

09/06/2010 BP Norge AS, operator of production licence 212, has completed the drilling of wildcat well 6507/5-6 S. The well proved gas. The discovery was made about two kilometres west of the Skarv field.

The objective of the well was to prove gas in Upper Cretaceous reservoir rocks (the Lysing formation). The well proved gas in the Lysing formation, with reservoir rocks and reservoir quality as expected.

Preliminary estimates indicate that the size of the discovery is between 8 and 14 billion standard cubic metres (Sm<sup>3</sup>) of recoverable gas, as well as 1.6 to 3 million standard cubic metres of recoverable condensate. Formation testing was not carried out in the well, but extensive data collection and sampling were performed. The licensees in [production licence 212](#) are considering producing the discovery via the Skarv field.

The well was drilled to a total vertical depth of 2876 metres below the sea surface, and it was terminated in the Lange formation in the Lower Cretaceous.

The water depth at the site is 325 metres. The well will now be permanently plugged and abandoned.

Well 6507/5-6 S was drilled by the drilling facility *Borgland Dolphin*. The facility will now continue pre-drilling of production wells on the Skarv field.

