

## NPD – exploration drilling result

16/02/2011 The Norwegian Petroleum Directorate (NPD) has granted Nexen Exploration Norge AS a drilling permit for wellbore 6507/8-8, cf. Section 8 of the Resource Management Regulations.

Wellbore 6507/8-8 will be drilled from the *Songa Delta* drilling facility in position 65°16'52.53" north and 7°25'29.91" east following completion of drilling of wildcat well 35/12-3 S for Wintershall Norge ASA in production licence 378.

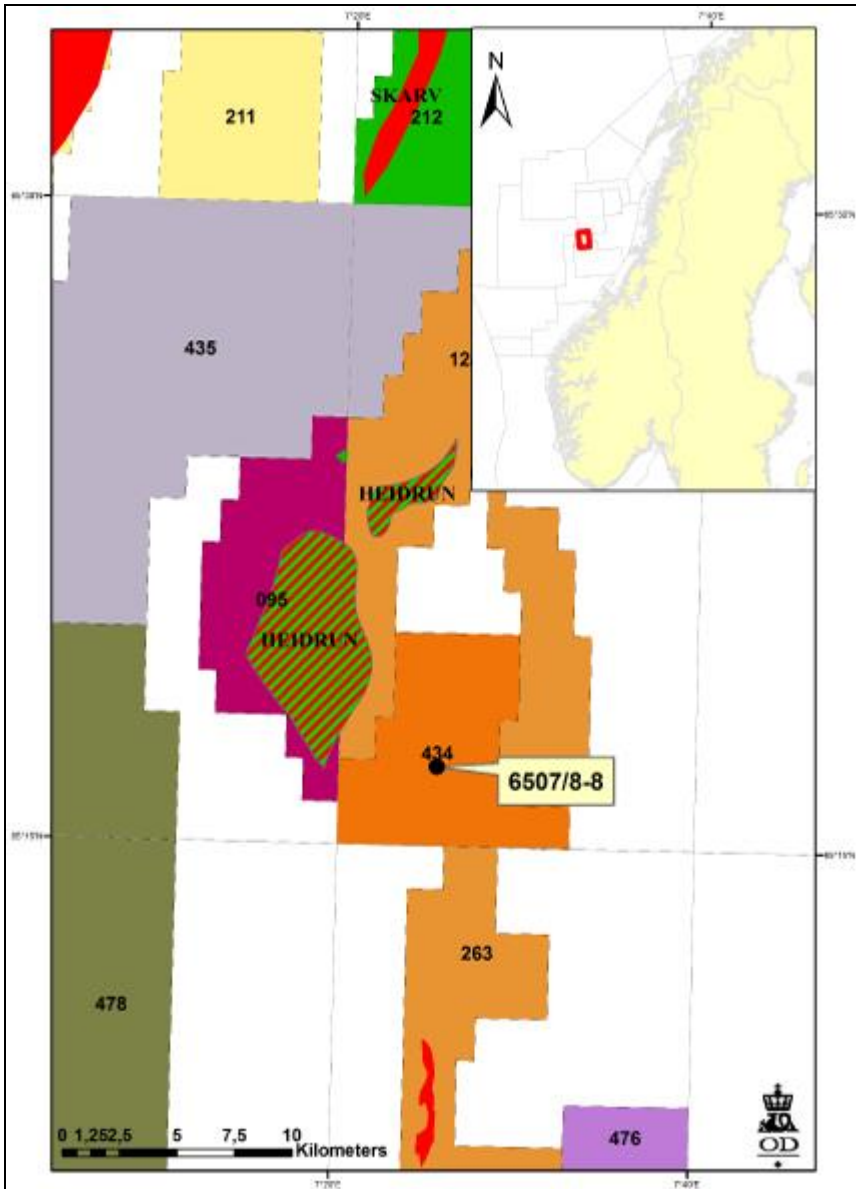
The drilling program for well 6507/8-8 concerns the drilling of a wildcat well in production licence 434. Nexen Exploration Norway AS is the operator with an ownership interest of 49 per cent. The other licensees are Concedo ASA (21 per cent), Norwegian Energy Company ASA (20 per cent), and E.ON Ruhrgas Norge AS (10 per cent).

The area in this licence consists of part of block 6507/8. The well will be drilled about seven kilometres northwest of the Heidrun field in the Norwegian Sea.

This is the first well to be drilled in production licence 434, which was awarded on 16 February 2007 in APA 2006.

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

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



## 6507/8-8

13/04/2011 Nexen Exploration Norge AS, operator of production licence 434, has completed the drilling of wildcat well 6507/8-8.

The well was drilled about seven kilometres southeast of the Heidrun field.

The purpose of the well was to prove petroleum in Lower Jurassic reservoir rocks (the Tilje and Åre formations).

Reservoir rocks of expected thickness and of good quality were encountered in the Tilje and Åre formations. Data acquisition and sampling were carried out. The well is dry.

This is the first exploration well in [production licence 434](#). The production licence was awarded in APA 2006.

The well was drilled to a vertical depth of 2525 metres below sea level, and was terminated in the Åre formation in the Lower Jurassic. The water depth is 329 metres. The well has now been permanently plugged and abandoned.

Well 6507/8-8 was drilled by the drilling facility *Songa Delta*, which will proceed to production licence 378 in the North Sea to drill appraisal well 35/12-4, where Wintershall Norge ASA is the operator.

