

## NPD – exploration drilling result

01/03/2011 The Norwegian Petroleum Directorate has granted BG Norge a drilling permit for well 6604/2-1 cf. Section 8 of the Resource Management Regulations.

Well 6604/2-1 will be drilled from the *Aker Barents* drilling facility at position 66°47'1.79" north and 4°33'34.85" east after completing the drilling of wildcat well 6305/9-2 for Det Norske oljeselskap ASA in production licence 468.

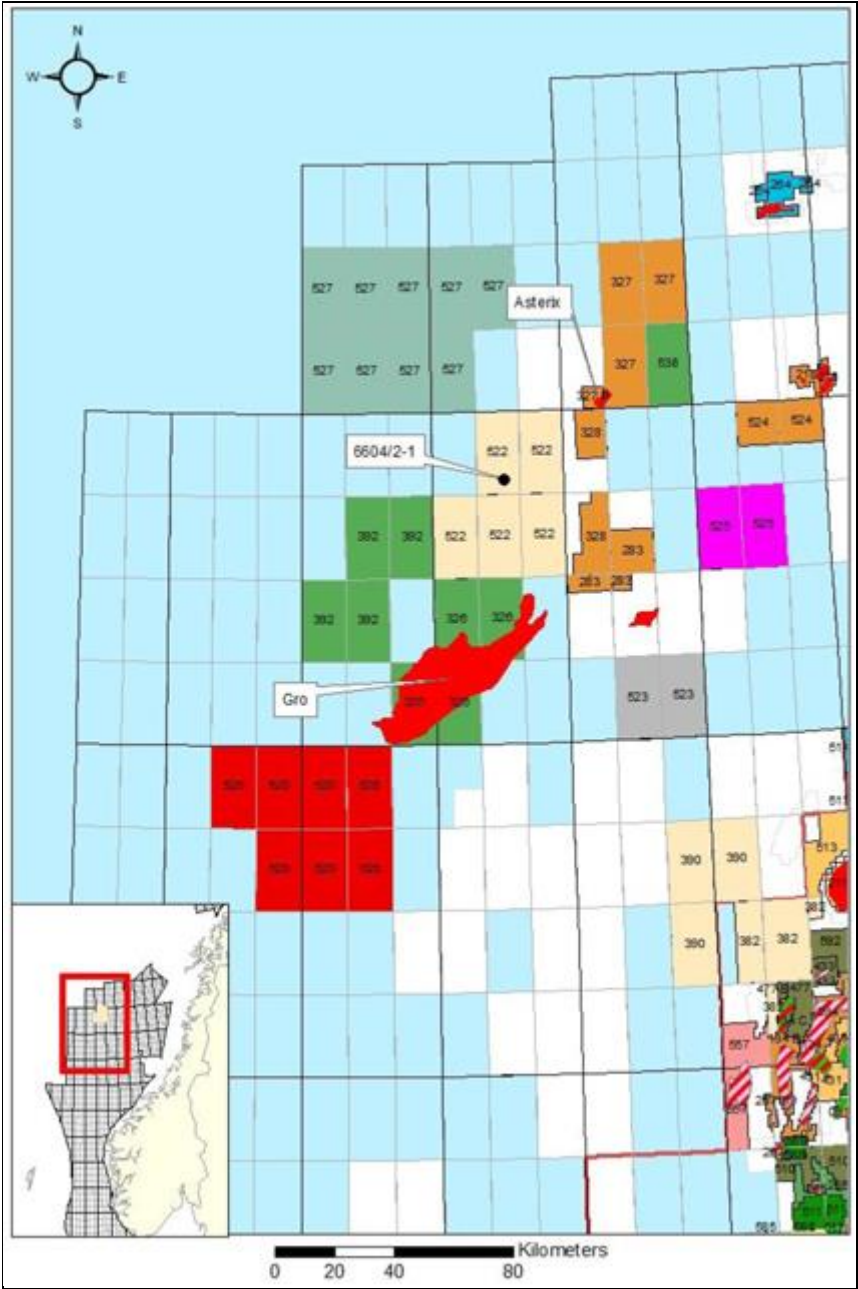
The drilling programme for well 6604/2-1 concerns to the drilling of a wildcat well in production licence 522. BG Norge is the operator with an ownership interest of 40 per cent. The other licensees are Idemitsu Petroleum Norge AS (20 per cent), Det Norske oljeselskap ASA (20 per cent) and Petoro AS (20 per cent).

The area in this licence consists of the blocks 6604/2, 6604/3, 6604/4, 6604/5 and 6604/6. The well will be drilled approximately 45 kilometres southeast of the Asterix gas discovery and 60 kilometres north of the Gro gas discovery.

Production licence 522 was awarded on 1 May 2009 in the 20th licensing round. This is the first well to be drilled in the licence.

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.

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



# 6604/2-1

02/05/2011 BG Norge AS, operator of production licence 522, is in the process of completing the drilling of wildcat well 6604/2-1.

The well has been drilled about 45 kilometres southwest of the discovery 6705/10-1 Asterix and 60 kilometres north of the discovery 6603/12-1 Gro.

The purpose of the well was to prove petroleum in reservoir rocks from the Upper Cretaceous (the Springar formation). It encountered the Springar formation with reservoir rocks and reservoir quality as expected, but the well is dry. Data acquisition and sampling were carried out.

This is the first exploration well in [production licence 522](#). The production licence was awarded in the 20th licensing round in 2009.

The well was drilled to a vertical depth of 3511 metres below the surface of the sea and was terminated in the Springar formation. The water depth is 1262 metres. The well will now be permanently plugged and abandoned.

Well 6604/2-1 was drilled by the Aker Barents drilling facility, which is moving to production licence 377S west of the Vega field in the North Sea to drill wildcat well 35/7-1 S, where Idemitsu Petroleum Norge AS is the operator.

