

NPD – exploration drilling result

30/08/2011 The Norwegian Petroleum Directorate has granted Rocksource ASA a drilling permit for wellbore 6608/11-7 S, cf. Section 8 of the Resource Management Regulations.

Well 6608/11-7 S will be drilled from the *Borgland Dolphin* drilling facility in position 66°14'01.32" north and 8°30'47.34" east after completing the drilling of wildcat well 6407/5-2 S for OMV Norge AS in production licence 471.

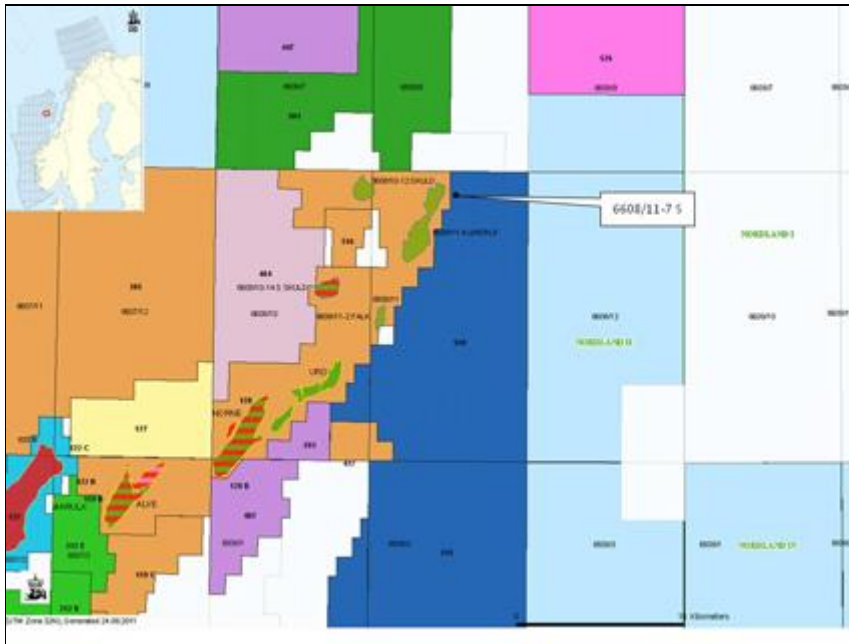
The drilling program for well 6608/11-7 S concerns the drilling of a wildcat well in production licence 559. Rocksource ASA is the operator with an ownership interest of 60 per cent. The other licensees are VNG Norge AS (30 per cent) and Skagen 44 AS (10 per cent).

The area in this licence consists of the blocks 6608/10 and 6608/11. The well will be drilled about six kilometres northeast of the "Linerle" discovery and 32 kilometres northeast of the Norne field.

Production licence 559 was awarded in APA 2009. This is the first well to be drilled in the licence.

The permit is contingent upon the operator securing all permits and consents required by other authorities before commencing the drilling activity.

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



6608/11-7 S

24/10/2011 Rocksource ASA, operator of production licence 559, has completed drilling of wildcat well 6608/11-7 S. The well is dry.

The well was drilled in the North Sea, about 200 kilometres west of Sandnessjøen and about five kilometres northeast of the 6608/11-4 ("Linerle") discovery.

The primary exploration target for the well was to prove petroleum in Lower Jurassic and Upper Triassic reservoir rocks (the Åre formation). The secondary exploration target was to prove petroleum in Upper Triassic reservoir rocks (Grey Beds and Red Beds).

The well encountered the upper part of the Åre formation's reservoir rocks with poorer reservoir quality than expected. In the secondary exploration target, reservoir rocks were encountered of good reservoir quality as expected. Data acquisition has been carried out.

This is the first exploration well in [production licence 559](#). The licence was awarded in APA 2009.

The well was drilled to a vertical depth of 2185 metres below the sea surface, and was terminated in Late Triassic rocks. The water depth is 333 metres. The well has now been permanently plugged and abandoned.

Well 6608/11-7 S was drilled by the *Borgland Dolphin* drilling facility, which will now proceed to production licence 350 in the Norwegian Sea to drill wildcat well 6507/6-4 where E.ON Ruhrgas Norge AS is the operator.

