

NPD – exploration drilling result

09/01/2013 The Norwegian Petroleum Directorate (NPD) has granted Statoil Petroleum AS a drilling permit for well 25/11-26, cf. Section 8 of the Resource Management Regulations.

Well 25/11-26 will be drilled from the *Ocean Vanguard* drilling facility at position 58°14'03.21" north and 2°36'40.99" east after completing drilling of appraisal well 16/2-15 for Statoil in production licence 265.

The drilling programme for well 25/11-26 relates to drilling of a wildcat well in production licence 169. Statoil Petroleum AS is the operator with an ownership interest of 57 per cent. The other licensees are Petoro AS with 30 per cent and ExxonMobil E&P Norway AS with 13 per cent.

The area in this licence consists of parts of the 25/8 and 25/11 blocks. The well was drilled about two kilometres south of the 25/8-4 well in the central part of the North Sea.

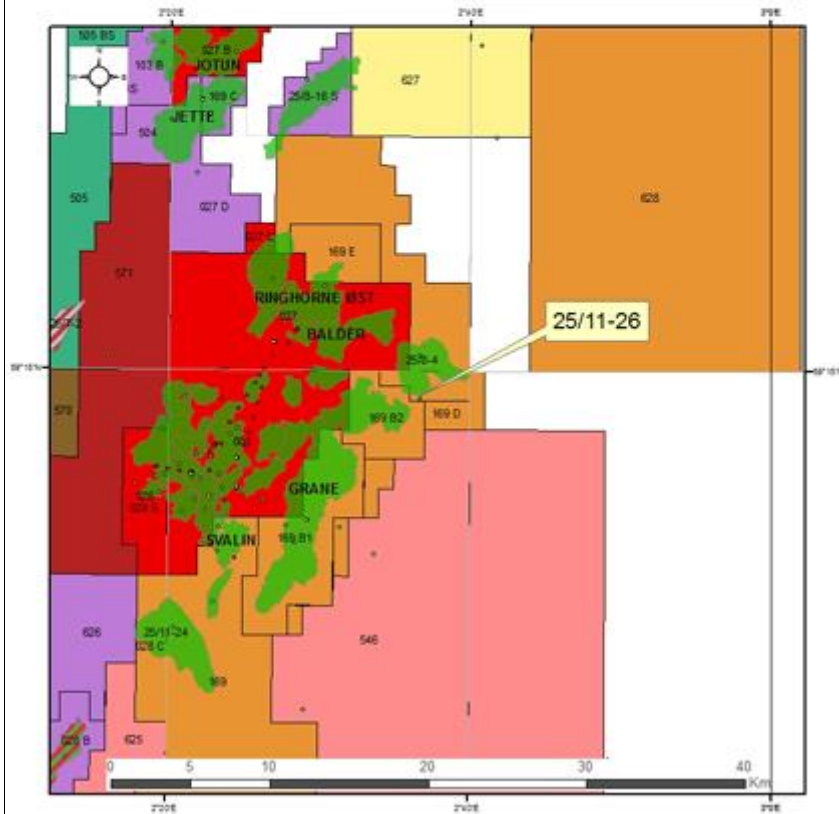
Production licence 169 was awarded on 1 March 1991 in the 13th licensing round. This is the 13th well to be drilled within the licence area.

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

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13/02/2013 Statoil Petroleum AS, operator of production licence 169, is about to complete drilling of wildcat well 25/11-26. The well was drilled about nine kilometres northeast of the Grane field in the North Sea.

The primary exploration target for the well was to prove petroleum in the Balder formation in Eocene. The secondary exploration target was to prove petroleum in Upper Jurassic sandstone in the Draupne formation. Reservoir development was not proven in either of these levels and the well is classified as dry.

Data acquisition and sampling have been carried out.

Well 25/11-26 is the 13th exploration well in [production licence 169](#). The licence was awarded in the 13th licensing round in 1991.

The well was drilled to a vertical depth of 2213 metres below the sea surface and terminated in Early Jurassic rocks (the Statfjord formation). Water depth is 130 metres. The well will now be permanently plugged and abandoned.

Well 25/11-26 was drilled by the Ocean Vanguard drilling facility, which will now proceed to production licence 502 (operated by Statoil) to drill appraisal well 16/5-3 on the 16/2-6 Johan Sverdrup discovery.



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