NPD – exploration drilling result

22/10/2013 Eni Norge AS, operator of production licence 529, is about to complete drilling of wildcat well 7016/2-1.

The well was drilled in the Barents Sea about 185 kilometres southwest of the Snøhvit field and 160 kilometres northwest of Tromsø.

The objective of the well was to prove petroleum in Eocene and Paleocene reservoir rocks (the Sotbakken Group).

The well did not encounter reservoir rocks in the Sotbakken Group. The well is dry.

Data acquisition has been carried out.

The well is the first exploration well in <u>production licence 529</u>. The licence was awarded in the 20th licensing round.

The well was drilled to a vertical depth of 4025 metres below the sea surface and was terminated in the Upper Palaeocene.

Water depth is 1366 metres. This is the first deepwater well in the Barents Sea. The well will now be permanently plugged and abandoned.

Well 7016/2-1 was drilled by the *Scarabeo 8* drilling facility, which will now proceed to production licence 229 in the Barents Sea to drill production wells on the Goliat field, where Eni Norge AS is the operator.

See Factpages for more information about this wellbore.

