<u>NPD</u> – exploration drilling result

12/08/2013 The Norwegian Petroleum Directorate has granted Statoil ASA a drilling permit for wellbore 30/9-25, cf. Section 8 of the Resource Management Regulations.

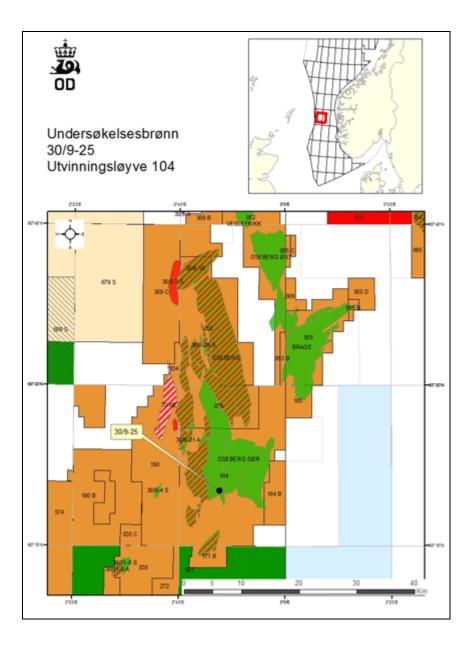
Wellbore 30/9-25 will be drilled from the *Ocean Vanguard* drilling facility at position 60°20'06.20"N and 02°47'47.5"E following completion of the drilling of wildcat well 16/2-18 S for Statoil ASA in production licence 265.

The drilling programme for wellbore 30/9-25 concerns the drilling of a wildcat well in production licence 104. Statoil ASA is the operator with an ownership interest of 49.3 per cent. The other licensees are Petoro AS (33.6 per cent), Total E&P Norge AS (14.7 per cent) and ConocoPhillips Skandinavia AS (2.4 per cent). The acreage in this permit consists of the blocks 30/9.

Production licence 104 was awarded on 1 March 1985 (the ninth licensing round on the Norwegian shelf).

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

See <u>Factpages</u> for more information about this wellbore.



30/9-25

19/09/2013 Statoil, operator of production licence 104, is in the process of completing the drilling of wildcat well 30/9-25. The well has been drilled about six kilometres south of the Oseberg Sør facility, and about 130 kilometres west of Bergen.

The primary exploration target for the well was to prove petroleum in Middle Jurassic reservoir rocks (the Tarbert formation). The secondary exploration target was to prove petroleum in Upper Jurassic reservoir rocks (the Draupne and Heather formation).

Traces of petroleum were encountered in the Tarbert, Heather and Draupne formations. The well is classified as dry.

Extensive data acquisition and sampling have been carried out. This is the 26th exploration well in production licence 104. The licence was awarded in the 9th licensing round in 1985.

The well was drilled to a vertical depth of 3220 metres below the sea surface and was terminated in the Ness formation in the Middle Jurassic. Water depth at the site is 100 metres. The well will now be permanently plugged and abandoned.

Well 30/9-25 was drilled by the *Ocean Vanguard* drilling facility, which will now proceed to production licence 272 in the northern North Sea to drill wildcat well 30/11-9 S, where Statoil is the operator.

