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

04/11/2014 The Norwegian Petroleum Directorate has granted RWE Dea Norge AS a drilling permit for well 35/9-12 S, cf. Section 8 of the Resource Management Regulations.

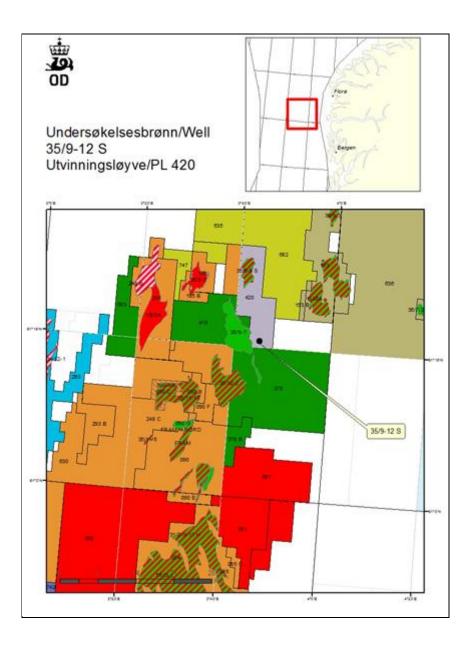
Well 35/9-12 S will be drilled from the *Leiv Eiriksson* drilling facility at position 61°15`28.34" north and 3°44`46.61" east after completing the drilling of wildcat wells 34/6-3 S and 34/6-3 A for Total E&P Norge AS in production licence 554.

The drilling program for well 35/9-12 S relates to drilling of a wildcat well in production licence 420. RWE Dea Norge AS is the operator with an ownership interest of 30 per cent. The other licensees are Statoil Petroleum AS (40 per cent) and Idemitsu Petroleum Norge AS (30 per cent). The area in this licence consists of part of block 35/9. The well will be drilled about 80 kilometres southwest of Florø.

Production licence 420 was awarded on 16 February 2007 (APA 2006). This is the fourth well to be drilled in the licence.

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

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



35/9-12 S

19/12/2014 RWE Dea Norge AS, operator of production licence 420, is in the process of concluding the drilling of wildcat well 35/9-12 S.

The well was drilled about 20 kilometres southwest of the Gjøa field in the North Sea and about 80 kilometres southwest of Florø.

The objective of the well was to prove petroleum in Upper Jurassic reservoir rocks (Intra Heather formation sandstone). Well 35/9-12 S encountered reservoir rocks in two sandstone layers in the Heather formation, both of good quality and with traces of petroleum. The well will be classified as dry.

Extensive data acquisition and sampling have been carried out. This is the fourth exploration well in production licence 420. The licence was awarded in APA 2006.

Well 35/9-12 S was drilled to vertical and measured depths of 3423 and 3531 metres below sea level, respectively and was terminated in the Rannock formation in the Middle Jurassic. Water depth at the site is 358 metres. The well will be permanently plugged and abandoned.

Well 35/9-12 S was drilled by the *Leiv Eiriksson* drilling facility, which will now drill wildcat well 6406/6-4 in production licence 510 in the Norwegian Sea, where Maersk Oil Norway AS is the operator.

