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Dry well on Kvitvola

Det norske oljeselskap ASA, as operator of production license 553, has completed the drilling of wildcat well 34/7-36 S T2. The well was drilled on the Kvitvola prospect about 5 km west of the Visund Field by the Borgland Dolphin drilling rig.

The purpose of the well was to prove petroleum in upper Jurassic, Draupne sandstones. A secondary target was the underlying Brent Group. The well encountered no reservoir in the Draupne Formation and thus no hydrocarbons were proven. The secondary target was also dry.

34/7-36 S T2 is the first exploration well in production license 553, awarded in the APA 2009. The well was drilled to a vertical depth of 3,639 meters below sea level (3,690 meters MDRKB). The water depth is 304 meters. The well will now be permanently plugged and abandoned.

Det norske oljeselskap ASA is the operator of the license with a 40 percent working interest. Partners are Svenska Petroleum with 35 percent and Bayerngas with 25 percent working interest.

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About Det norske:

Det norske is a fully-fledged E&P company with exploration, development and production activities on the Norwegian Continental Shelf. We are building one of Europe's largest independent E&P companies.

*Det norske is the operator for the Ivar Aasen field development, and is partner in the Johan Sverdrup field. The company has an ambitious strategy for continued growth, and has recently entered into an agreement to acquire Marathon Oil in Norway *. This acquisition will result in considerable production growth for the company. At the same time, Det norske continues its active exploration programme on the Norwegian shelf.*

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