



**Trondheim, January 8, 2009**

### **Disclosure of voting rights**

Reference is made to the extraordinary general meeting in Det norske Oljeselskap ASA ( the Company ) in Trondheim on 2 February at 5 p.m. The Chairman of the board in the Company, Kaare Gisvold has as of 8 January received 4,643,248 power of attorneys to vote on the extraordinary general meeting. Gisvold has thus exceeded the 5% disclosure threshold in relation to the number of voting rights in the Company to be exercised without instruction.

Kaare Gisvold owns 473,635 shares in the Company, representing 0.73% of all issued shares. Including the power of attorneys, Gisvold has voting rights for 5,116,882 shares, which represents 7.88% of the votes in the Company.

The CEO of the Company, Erik Haugane, has as of 8 January 2009 received 131,421 power of attorneys to vote on the extraordinary general meeting. Erik Haugane owns 1,362,181 shares in the Company, which represents 2.1% of outstanding shares. Including power of attorneys, Haugane has voting rights for 1,493,602 shares, which represents 2.3% of the votes in the Company.

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#### **About Det norske (DETNOR`):**

*Det norske is the second-largest operating company on the Norwegian Continental Shelf with 27 operatorship and interests in a total of 47 licenses (before the APA 2008). Det norske is the operator of the Frøy Field development and will also operate eight to nine exploration wells in the North Sea and Norwegian Sea during 2009. Det norske's scope of activities is limited to the Norwegian Continental Shelf (NCS).*

*Det norske currently employs a staff of more than 130, and the strong growth rate continues. The company's registered office is located in Trondheim. The company also has offices in Oslo, Harstad, and Stavanger.*