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Update on wrongly distributed information regarding license 362 Fulla

Det norske oljeselskap ASA (DET NOR) strongly regrets that due to a mistake, internal information about the drilling operation on license 362 Fulla has been submitted from the company. We regret this in relation to the operator StatoilHydro, the partners in the license, the authorities and the market.

The company cannot comment on the content of the submitted information except that it is too early to conclude on the results of the drilling operation. Presence of hydrocarbons has been encountered in layers where this is not uncommon. However, it is too early to conclude whether or not this is a discovery. The Norwegian Petroleum Directorate will release the results of the well upon completion.

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About Det norske (DET NOR):

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.