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Uttalelse:

Reference is made to the letter from the Ministry of Petroleum and Energy dated on January 20, 2015, with invitation to comment their proposal for extension of the APA2015 area.

OMV (Norge) welcomes the proposed extension both in the Norwegian Sea and Barents Sea.

With regards to the Norwegian Sea area, it is important to open up near Aasta Hansteen area for exploration in the APA setting to further vitalise exploration activities in this important area of exploration and field development. This is in particular important to secure additional gas resources to be funnelled to the Aasta Hansteen once gas handling capacity becomes available post-2020. We are very pleased with the proposal from the Ministry of Petroleum and Energy but would wish for 5 additional blocks to be considered for the APA2015 area, namely the recently (January 1, 2015) relinquished PL522, comprising of Blocks 6604/2-6.

With regards to the Barents Sea, we fully support the hearing proposal by Norsk Olje og Gass with APA2015 area extension to the north to encompass a larger area where exploration wells have been drilled and discoveries made in the past, and where industry's understanding of the geology has evolved and matured during the many years of exploration activity.

Best regards

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