Conditions relating to environmental concerns and fishery interests

The blocks 6205/3, 6204/6, 8 and 10 are situated in important spawning grounds for herring and other species of fish. There is also an extensive fishery for cod, whiting and other species of fish in the area. Fishery interests may be affected by drilling activities and any pollution of the marine environment. The fishery authorities and the Directorate for Cultural Heritage are given the responsibility of ensuring that the marine environment in this area is protected. It is expected that planning for exploration drilling and seismic surveys in this area will be conducted in such a manner that the interests of fishery activities and marine organisms are taken into consideration. Pursuant to the Report to the Storting no. 38 (2001-2002) it is expected that the fishery authorities and the Directorate for Cultural Heritage shall work together to ensure that the marine environment in this area is protected.

The blocks 6205/3, 6204/6, 8 and 10 are situated in the Barents Sea area. This means that conditions for the award in the Barents Sea area shall apply. This means that there shall be a maximum 5 % of the produced water may be discharged, on the condition that the discharge does not prevent the discharge. In the event normal operations prevents discharges of produced water. In the event normal operations prevent the discharge, the discharge permits shall be revised to reflect this. The licensees are required to map and report discoveries of shipwrecks and other cultural monuments that may be affected by the activities in the awarded area. In connection with the preparation of an oil spill contingency plan, an environmental impact assessment shall be conducted and an environmental management plan shall be prepared.

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Interesting blocks in the Norwegian Sea have also been included, and the Ministry states that these areas of the Norwegian Continental Shelf. The framework for new activity and value creation in the Norwegian Sea in the 19th licensing round. The blocks that have been announced represent a large variation of challenges and possibilities and should appeal to a broad spectrum of companies.

The Ministry may designate specific bases to be used by the companies for the 18th Licensing Round on the Norwegian Continental Shelf. The Ministry may consider whether the application should be considered as an applicant on the following issues:

a) The extent and content of the work obligation
b) The duration of the initial period for the production licence, the licensees will be required to enter into a Geologizing Agreement and an Accounting Agreement for Petroleum Activities with the other participants.

c) The relevant technical expertise of the applicant, including experience related to development, work safety, and the environment and broader environmental matters.

d) Experience regarding the applicant’s activities.

e) The extent and time schedule for relinquishment of acreage.

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A production licence may comprise one or more blocks (i.e. blocks of acreage).

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