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ConocoPhillips starter produksjon fra Tor II

Stavanger: ConocoPhillips (operatør) og de andre rettighetshaverne i Tor Unit har startet produksjonen fra Tor II som første gjenåpning av et felt på norsk sokkel. Produksjonen kommer i gang bare 12 måneder etter godkjenningen av Plan for Utbygging og Drift. Tor II-prosjektet er en gjenutbygging av Tor-feltet i Ekofisk-området. Tor hadde produksjonsstart i 1978. Produksjonen opphørte i 2015.

Tor II-prosjektet er en av flere utviklingsmuligheter i Ekofisk-området, som gjør det mulig å fortsette effektiv drift fram mot 2050.

Prosjektet består av en undervannsutbygging med to havbunnsrammer og åtte produksjonsbrønner som er knyttet gjennom flerfase-rørledninger for produksjon og gassløft til Ekofisk 2/4 M-plattformen på Ekofisk-senteret. Styring og støttesystemer leveres via en kontrollkabel fra samme plattform. Den nybygde sjøbunnsinstallasjonen ligger om lag en kilometer vest for den opprinnelige Tor-plattformen uten forbindelse til den nedstengte installasjonen.

Det er planlagt boret sju produksjonsbrønner i Tor-formasjonen. I tillegg er det planlagt en testbrønn for langsiktig produktivitet i Ekofisk-formasjonen. Reservepotensialet for Tor II-prosjektet er 60-70 millioner fat oljeekvivalenter. Det er de to første brønnene som nå er satt i produksjon, og så vil de resterende brønnene komme i produksjon etter hvert som de blir ferdigstilt de neste månedene.

De samlede investeringer er om lag 6,4 milliarder kroner. Utbyggingskonseptet har en balansepris under 30 US-dollar (Brent).

– Etter å ha produsert Tor-feltet i 37 år, er vi nå stolte over å kunne gjenutbygge feltet og med det få en samlet forventet levetid på mer enn 60 års produksjon fra Tor, sier Steinar Våge, regiondirektør for ConocoPhillips i Europa, Midtøsten og Nord-Afrika. – Tor II utnytter tilgjengelig kapasitet i Ekofisk-området for prosessering og transport.

Tor II-prosjektet har en høy norsk andel på om lag 90 prosent og prosjektet gir om lag 6800 årsverk.

Om Tor-feltet og Tor Unit

Tor-feltet ble funnet i 1970, og er et kalkfelt som ligger i lisensene PL018 og PL006 i blokkene 2/4 og 2/5, om lag 13 kilometer nordøst for Ekofisk-feltet. Den opprinnelige utbyggingen besto av en bemannet produksjonsplattform, Tor 2/4 E, der olje og assosiert gass ble eksportert via rørledning til Ekofisk-senteret fra 1978 til slutten av 2015, da plattformens levetid utløp.

Operatøren ConocoPhillips Norge AS har en eierandel på 30,66 prosent i Tor Unit, mens de gjenværende eierinteressene er fordelt på Total E&P Norge AS (48,20 %), Vår Energi AS (10,82 %), Equinor Energy AS (6,64 %) og Petoro AS (3,69 %).

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Om ConocoPhillips

ConocoPhillips har hovedkontor i Houston, Texas. Selskapet har virksomhet i 15 land, en totalkapital på 63 mrd. US-dollar og rundt 9.800 ansatte per 30. september 2020. Gjennomsnittsproduksjonen (utenom Libya) var 1.108 tusen fat oljeekvivalenter per dag for de ni månedene som ble avsluttet 30. september 2020, og påviste reserver var 5.3 mrd. oljeekvivalenter pr. 31. desember 2019. Mer informasjon finner du på www.conocophillips.com.

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