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## **OMAN BLOCK 56 DRILLING UPDATE**

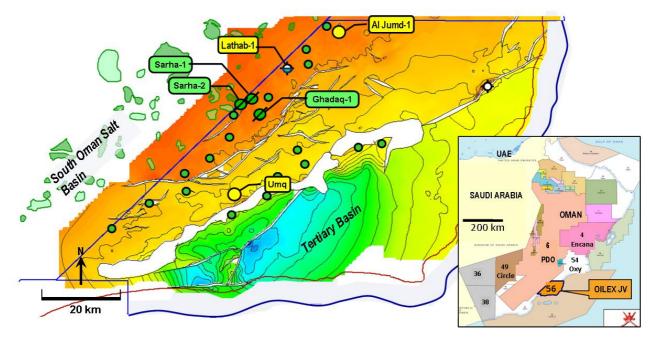
The exploration drilling program in Oman Block 56 is continuing and is anticipated to be completed in early January 2009. The rig has mobilised to the location of Al Jumd-1 in the northern part of the block and is expected to spud within 5 days.

## Sarha-2

The Sarha-2 well in Block 56, Oman, was recently completed as a horizontal production well. An initial test was run over an extended interval and data obtained from that test indicate that the oil is of a heavier nature than that encountered in Sarha-1. Consequently, the well has been suspended pending further technical evaluation and the extended production test has been postponed.

## Lathab-1

The rig moved to the location of Lathab-1 exploration well on 8 November and that well was drilled to a depth of 1,635 metres with oil shows at various levels. The reservoir intervals are thinner than anticipated and the well was plugged and abandoned with oil shows on 25 November.



**Oman Block 56 Location Map with Well Locations and Prospects** 

## Al Jumd-1

The rig is now moving to the location of Al Jumd-1 in the northern sector of the block. The well will be drilled to a planned total depth of 1,500 metres to test Al Gharif, Al Khlata and Huqf Formation objectives.

Participants in the Block 56 Exploration and Production Sharing Agreement are:

Joint Venture Party	Participating Interest
Oilex Oman Limited (Operator)	25%
Videocon Industries Limited	25%
GAIL (India) Limited	25%
Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited	12.5%
Bharat PetroResources Limited	12.5%

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