



21st LICENSING ROUND

GUIDE TO COMPANY APPLICATION LETTER

APPLICATION LETTER FROM COMPANY FOR APPLICATION TO THE 21st LICENSING ROUND

Formal application letter with an overview of all applications the company participates in, individually or as part of a group, shall be submitted within the application deadline, Wednesday 3rd of November 2010 at 12:00 hours.

The application letter must include the following and in the following order:

1. Applicant and contact persons
2. Table with listed application(s)
3. Short review of the application(s)
4. Copy of the receipt for paid application fee

1. Applicant and contact persons

Give the company name, address and nationality, as well as name, title, telephone and e-mail address for the contact person. At least one contact person should be available in Norway for Norwegian authorities during the whole application period until award.

2. Application list

The applications must be listed in order of priority and with suggested operator and participating interests, in table "Application list from company". The basis for the table is in excel format on NPD's internet web site <http://www.npd.no/21round>. Additional rows can be made. One example of filled-in application table is shown in the letter template on next page.

Company name:								Application delivered by: ⁴	Fee paid by: ⁴
Priority	Application for Production License in blocks:	If application for additional acreage ¹ : PL no.:	AMI-group members	O/P ²	Participation interest (%) ³				
					Preferred	Lower	Upper		

¹Additional acreage: when discoveries or drillable prospects extend into announced acreage from an existing production license with identical licensees, state the licence number. Separate guidelines for application of additional acreage on <http://www.npd.no/21round>

²O = operator, P = partner

³The applicant(s) shall state the size of the primary preferred ownership interest, and an upper and lower limit for what would be acceptable. A distribution of the ownership interest among the participants must be proposed in the group applications.

⁴Mark with x the company which actually delivers the application, individually or on behalf of an AMI. Mark with x the company which has paid the application fee, individually or on behalf of an AMI.

3. Review of the application(s)

A short text giving the background for each application, with any comments on priority, participation interests and possible operator preferences. Any other circumstances which the applicant wishes to express. Maximum 1 page in total for the review.

4. Receipt for paid application fee

A copy of the receipt must be enclosed in the application letter. When the company participates in a group application (AMI) and the fee is paid by one of the group members on behalf of the group, this must be marked in the checkbox in the application table. A scanned copy of the receipt for the payment shall be enclosed as a separate file on the CD/DVD containing company information. The file should be named "Application fee_(block)".

One copy of the application letter must be sent or delivered, together with the binder containing company information and any binder(s) with application(s), to the Ministry of Petroleum and Energy (MPE) and one identical copy to the Norwegian Petroleum Directorate (NPD). If the company does not itself submit any of the applications in which the company participates, the application letter must be sent/delivered to the MPE and NPD together with the company information. An electronic pdf copy of the application letter must be included on the CD/DVD with company information. The file should be named "Application letter_(company name in short form)".

TEMPLATE FOR APPLICATION LETTER:

The Royal Ministry of Petroleum and Energy
Einar Gerhardsens plass 1
P.O. Box 8148 Dep.
0033 OSLO

Awards in the 21st licensing round (21st round) – application for production license**1. Applicants name:**

Address:

Nationality:

Contact persons: name – title - telephone - e-mail

Proposed text: In response to the Ministry of Petroleum and Energy's invitation to apply for the 21st licensing round (21st round), 23.6.2010, (company name) hereby submit applications in XX areas (see table below), for xx new Production Licenses (and, if any, xx additional acreage to existing licenses).

2. Application list from company (ref item 8 b) in the invitation brochure)

Company name:		Our Company AS						Application delivered by: ⁴	Fee paid by: ⁴
Priority	Application for Production License in blocks:	If application for additional acreage ¹ : PL no.:	AMI-group members	O/P ²	Participation interest (%) ³				
					Preferred	Lower	Upper		
1	16/12		Company A	O	60	30	60	x	x
			Our Company	P	40	20	50		
2	6305/1, 2		Our Company	P	20	15	40	x	x
3	7122/2,3	PLxxx	Company B	O	40	-	-	x	x
			Our Company	P	35	-	-		
			Company C	P	25	-	-		

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3. Short presentation of the applications:

Example of text: Priority 1 represents eastern part of block 16/12 where our company, together with Company A has mapped the prospect Bitten in a new Jurassic play model. Priority 2 is an area north of Ormen Lange, where our company applies for participation as partner with a preferred interest of 20 %. Priority 3 is an application for additional acreage to PLxxx, where interpretation of new seismic data shows that the prospect Mitten, which is planned to be drilled in 2011, extends into open acreage.

Any other circumstances which the applicant wishes to express (maximum 1 page).

Document submitted by applicant:

Company information

Application priority 2: block 6405/7

Documents submitted by partner, if any:

Application priority 1: block 16/12 delivered by Company A

Application priority 3: block 7122/2,3 delivered by Company B

4. Enclosure:

Copy of the receipt for paid application fee block 6405/7