

Petroleum Exploration & Development Offshore Ireland

Position in relation to Authorisations at 30 September 2010

Petroleum Leases

A **Petroleum Lease** vests in the Lessee the exclusive right to produce petroleum from the leased areas.

Lease	Commencement Date	Block Nos	Area (km ²)	Participants (* = Operator)	% Interest
<u>Offshore Petroleum Lease No. 1: Kinsale/Ballycotton</u>	7 May 1970	48/20, 48/25, 49/16 & 49/21	1,003.03	*PSE Kinsale Energy Limited	100%
<u>Corrib Petroleum Lease</u>	15 November 2001	18/20 (p) & 18/25 (p)	29.28	*Shell E&P Ireland Limited Statoil Exploration (Ireland) Limited Vermilion Energy Ireland Limited	45% 36.5% 18.5%
<u>Seven Heads Petroleum Lease</u>	13 November 2002	48/23 (p), 48/24 (p), 48/29 (p) & 48/30 (p)	168.5	*PSE Seven Heads Limited Island Oil and Gas Plc Sunningdale Oils (Ireland) Limited	86.5% 12.5% 1%

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Petroleum Exploration Licences

A petroleum exploration licence vests in the holder the exclusive right of carrying out exploration for petroleum in a specific licensed offshore area. There are three types of licenses available, as follows:-

A **Standard Exploration Licence** is issued for a period of 6 years in respect of an area with water depths of up to 200 metres.

A **Deepwater Exploration Licence** is issued for a period of 9 years in respect of an area with water depths exceeding 200 metres.

A **Frontier Exploration Licence** is issued in respect of an area with special difficulties related to physical environment, geology or technology – where such an area is specified and announced by the Minister for Communications, Energy and Natural Resources as a 'Frontier Area'. This licence type is valid for a period of not less than 12 years and comprises a maximum of 4 phases.

Licence	Licence Period	Block No.	Area (km ²)	Participants (* = Operator)	% Interest
<u>2/94</u> Frontier	15 March 1994 - 14 March 2012	12/2 (p), & 12/8 (p)	231.88	*Shell E&P Ireland Limited Eni Ireland BV STX Ireland Ltd OMV (Ireland) Exploration GMBH	25% 40% 25% 10%
<u>3/94</u> Frontier	15 March 1994 - 30 June 2012	18/19 (p) & 18/20 (p)	232.39	*Shell E&P Ireland Limited Statoil Exploration (Ireland) Limited Vermilion Energy Ireland Limited	45% 36.5% 18.5%
<u>5/94</u> Frontier	15 March 1994 - 14 March 2012	19/2 (p), 19/3 (p), 19/7 (p), 19/8, 19/11 (p), 19/12 (p), 19/16 (p) & 19/17 (p)	657.22	*Statoil Exploration (Ireland) Limited Hess Exploration Ireland Limited Shell E&P Ireland Limited Shell E&P Ireland Offshore Inc.	39.348% 42.065% 13.587% 5%
<u>7/97</u> Frontier	4 June 1997 - 1 December 2019	11/20, 11/23 (p), 11/24, 11/25, 11/28 (p), 12/11 (p), 12/12 (p) & 12/16 (p)	1,327.66	*Eni Ireland BV	100%
<u>1/99</u> Frontier	15 March 1999 - 31 December 2020	43/19, 43/20, 43/24, 43/25, 43/28 & 43/29	1,553.62	*Eni Ireland BV ExxonMobil Exploration and Production Ireland (Offshore) Limited Providence Resources Plc Sosina Exploration Limited	60% 36% 3.2% 0.8%
<u>1/04</u> Frontier	15 April 2004 - 14 April 2020	26/27 (p), 26/28, 35/2 (p) & 35/3 (p)	622.06	*Island Assets Porcupine Limited Valhalla Oil and Gas Limited Supernova Ireland Resources B.V.	51.5% 38.5% 10%
<u>2/04</u> Frontier	15 November 2004 - 14 March 2023	35/8 & 35/9	500.95	*Providence Resources Plc Chrysaor E&P Ireland Limited Sosina Exploration Limited	56% 30% 14%

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Petroleum Exploration Licences (cont'd)

Licence	Licence Period	Block No.	Area (km ²)	Participants (* = Operator)	% Interest
3/04 Frontier	15 November 2004 - 14 November 2021	44/18, 44/23, 44/24, 44/29, & 44/30	1,295.27	*ExxonMobil Exploration and Production Ireland (Offshore) Limited Eni Ireland BV Providence Resources Plc Sosina Exploration Limited	40% 40% 16% 4%
2/05 Frontier	1 July 2005 - 30 June 2021	11/10, 11/15 & 12/1, 12/6	932.18	*Shell E&P Ireland Limited Eni Ireland BV STX Ireland Ltd OMV (IRELAND) Exploration GmbH	25% 40% 25% 10%
3/05 Frontier	1 July 2005 - 30 June 2022	18/10, 19/1 & 19/6	715.58	*Island Rockall JV Limited OMV (Ireland) Killala Exploration GmbH	50% 50%
4/05 Standard	1 November 2005 - 31 October 2011	49/17 (p), 49/22 (p) & 49/23 (p)	258.49	*Island Expro Limited Valhalla Oil and Gas Limited Encore Exploration Limited	65% 20% 15%
5/05 Standard	1 November 2005 - 31 October 2011	48/26 (p), 48/27 (p), 57/1 (p), 57/2	664.2	*Island Expro Limited Valhalla Oil and Gas Limited Encore Exploration Limited	62.5% 25% 12.5%
1/06 Frontier	1 December 2006 - 30 November 2021	27/4, 27/5 (p) & 27/9	610.55	*Serica Energy (UK) Limited RWE DEA AG	50% 50%
2/06 Frontier	1 December 2006 - 31 August 2022	19/9, 19/13 & 19/17 (p)	653.53	*Statoil Exploration (Ireland) Limited Hess Exploration Ireland Limited Shell E&P Ireland Limited	39.348% 42.065% 18.587%
4/06 Frontier	1 December 2006 - 30 November 2022	27/17 (p), 27/18, 27/22 (p) & 27/23	741.48	*Island Oil and Gas plc Lundin Exploration BV	50% 50%
1/07 Standard	1 February 2007 - 31 January 2013	41/25 (p), 42/21 (p), 41/30 (p), 42/26 (p), 50/5 (p) & 51/1 (p)	622.87	*Providence Resources P.l.c	100%

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Petroleum Exploration Licences (cont'd)

Licence	Licence Period	Block No.	Area (km ²)	Participants (* = Operator)	% Interest
<u>2/07</u> Standard	1 February 2007 - 31 January 2013	49/9 (p), 49/13 (p), 49/14 (p), 49/18 (p), 49/19 (p), 50/6 (p), 50/7 (p). 50/11 (p),	107.23	*Providence Resources P.l.c Challenger Minerals (Celtic Sea) Limited Dyas BV Atlantic Petroleum (Ireland) Limited Forest Gate Resources Inc Sosina Exploration Limited	43.5294% 16.325% 16.325% 10.8824% 7.5% 5.4412%
<u>4/07</u> Standard	1 August 2007 - 31 July 2015	49/11 (p), 49/12 (p), 49/13 (p), 49/17 (p)& 49/18 (p)	542.37	*Lansdowne Celtic Sea Limited	100%
<u>5/07</u> Standard	1 August 2007 - 31 July 2015	48/17 (p), 48/18 (p), 48/19 (p), 48/22 (p) & 48/24 (p)	365.81	*Lansdowne Celtic Sea Limited Island Expro Limited Sunningdale Oils (Ireland) Limited	77% 22% 1%
<u>1/08</u> Frontier	12 March 2008 - 11 March 2021	52/5, 52/10, 52/15, 53/1, 53/6 & 53/11	1570.3	*ExxonMobil Exploration and Production Ireland (Offshore) Limited Providence Resources Plc Sosina Exploration Limited	80% 16% 4%
<u>2/08</u> Frontier	12 March 2008 - 11 March 2021	52/13 (p), 52/14, 52/18, 52/19, 52/20, 52/23 & 52/24 (p)	1581.3	*ExxonMobil Exploration and Production Ireland (Offshore) Limited Providence Resources Plc Sosina Exploration Limited	80% 16% 4%
<u>3/08</u> Frontier	12 March 2008 - 11 March 2021	61/9, 61/10 & 62/6	801.62	*Island Oil and Gas Plc Supernova Ireland Resources BV	50% 50%
<u>4/08</u> Frontier	12 March 2008 - 11 March 2020	35/2 (p), 35/3 (p), 35/4, & 35/7(p)	741.06	*Providence Resources Plc Chrysaor E&P Ireland Limited Sosina Exploration Limited	56% 30% 14%

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Petroleum Exploration Licences (cont'd)

Licence	Licence Period	Block No.	Area (km ²)	Participants (* = Operator)	% Interest
5/08 Standard	1 April 2008 - 31 July 2015	47/25 (p), 48/21 (p), & 48/22 (p)	448.68	*Milesian Oil & Gas Limited	100%
1/09 Frontier	21 July 2009 - 20 July 2025	5/17, 5/18, 5/22, 5/23, 5/27 & 5/28	993.5	*Serica Energy (UK) Limited	100%

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Licensing Options

A **Licensing Option** gives the Holder the first right to an Exploration Licence over all or part of the area covered by the Option.

Option No	Option Period	Block Nos.	Area (km ²)	Participants (* = Operator)	% Interest
08/1	14 July 2008 - 13 July 2010	48/22 (p), 48/23 (p), 48/24 (p), 48/27 (p), 48/28 (p), 48/29 (p) & 48/30 (p)	291.69	*Lansdowne Celtic Sea Limited Providence Resources Plc Island Expro Limited	40% 30% 30%
08/2	18 August 2008 - 17 August 2011	32/25 (p), 33/16 (p), 33/17 (p), 33/18 (p), 33/21, 33/22 (p), 33/23 (p), & 33/26 (p).	958.47	*Providence Resources plc Star Energy Oil and Gas Ltd	50% 50%
09/1	2 March 2009 - 1 March 2012	48/14 (p), 48/15 (p), 49/11 (p) & 49/12 (p)	314.77	*Lansdowne Celtic Sea Limited	100%
10/1	1 February 2010 – 31 January 2012	48/19 (p)	90.10	* Providence Resources plc Nautical Petroleum Plc.	60% 40%

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Petroleum Prospecting Licences

A Petroleum Prospecting Licence is non-exclusive and confers on the Licensee the right to search for petroleum in any area where an Exploration Licence, Reserved Area Licence or Petroleum Lease is not in force.

Licence No.	No. of Years	Licence From	Licensee
<u>1/07</u>	3	23 April 2007	Providence resources Plc
<u>2/07</u>	3	17 May 2007	GX Technology Corporation
<u>2/08</u>	3	1 July 2008	ExxonMobil Exploration and Production Ireland (Offshore) Limited
<u>3/08</u>	3	10 July 2008	Wavefield Inseis ASA
<u>1/09</u>	3	25 May 2009	Lansdowne Celtic Sea Limited
<u>2/09</u>	3	26 July 2009	TGS-NOPEC Geophysical Company ASA
<u>1/10</u>	3	23 April 2010	Providence Resources P.l.c

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