

Out-of-Round Process

Requests can be made at any time

A company or group seeking to initiate the Out-of-Round Process for a particular area must first make the case to the Oil & Gas Authority. Such cases can only be justified in exceptional circumstances, and should not be seen as a routine alternative to the Licensing Rounds system.

The case must demonstrate that imminent work will be carried out in relation to blocks adjacent to currently licensed acreage, and that without a timely award, unnecessary delays to activities will occur to the detriment of MER UK.

There is no guarantee that Out-of-Round requests will be accepted.

If the OGA considers a case has been made, it will invite applications in compliance with the Hydrocarbons Licensing Directive and all other relevant provisions, including the Strategic Environmental Assessment Directive.

The applications process will always be competitive, and applications must follow the prevailing guidance.

Out-of-Round Requests (detailing the blocks requested, the rationale for the request, and a proposed work programme with timings) should be sent by email to:

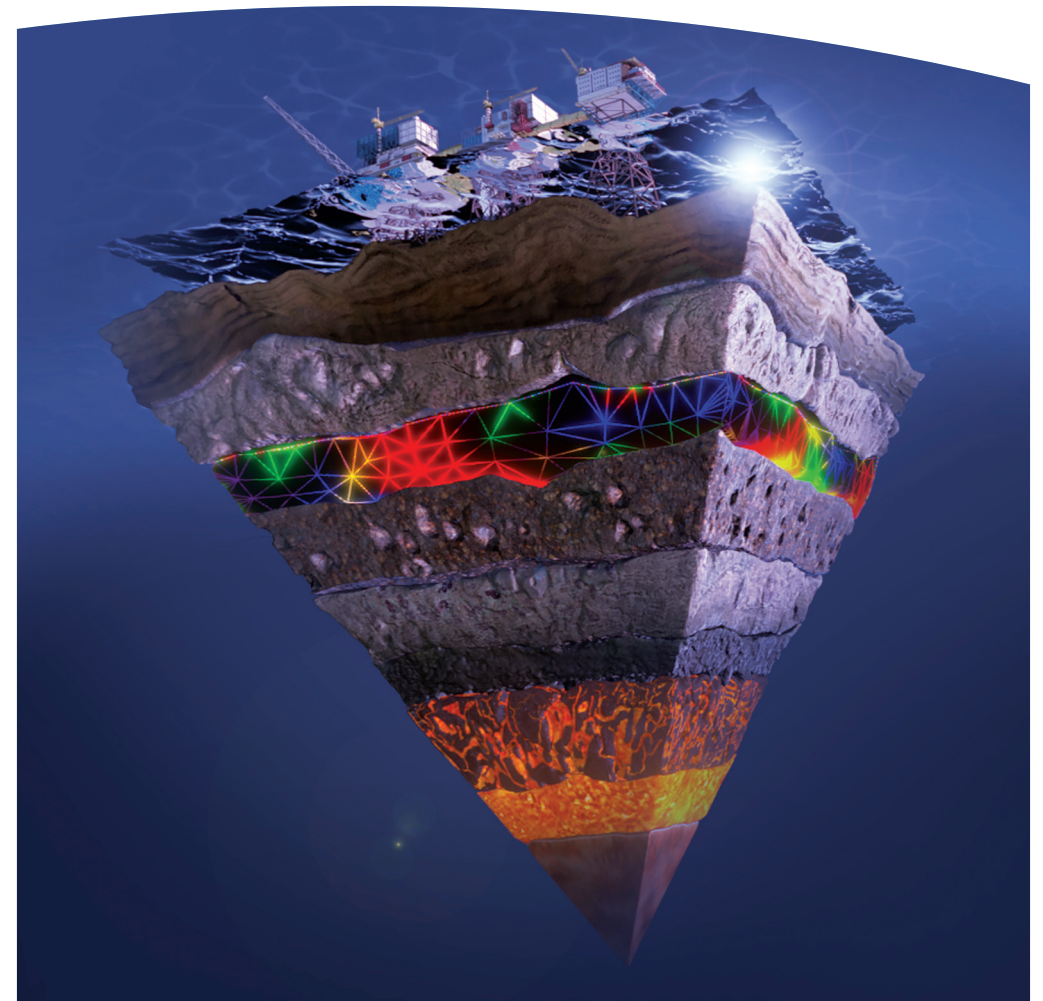
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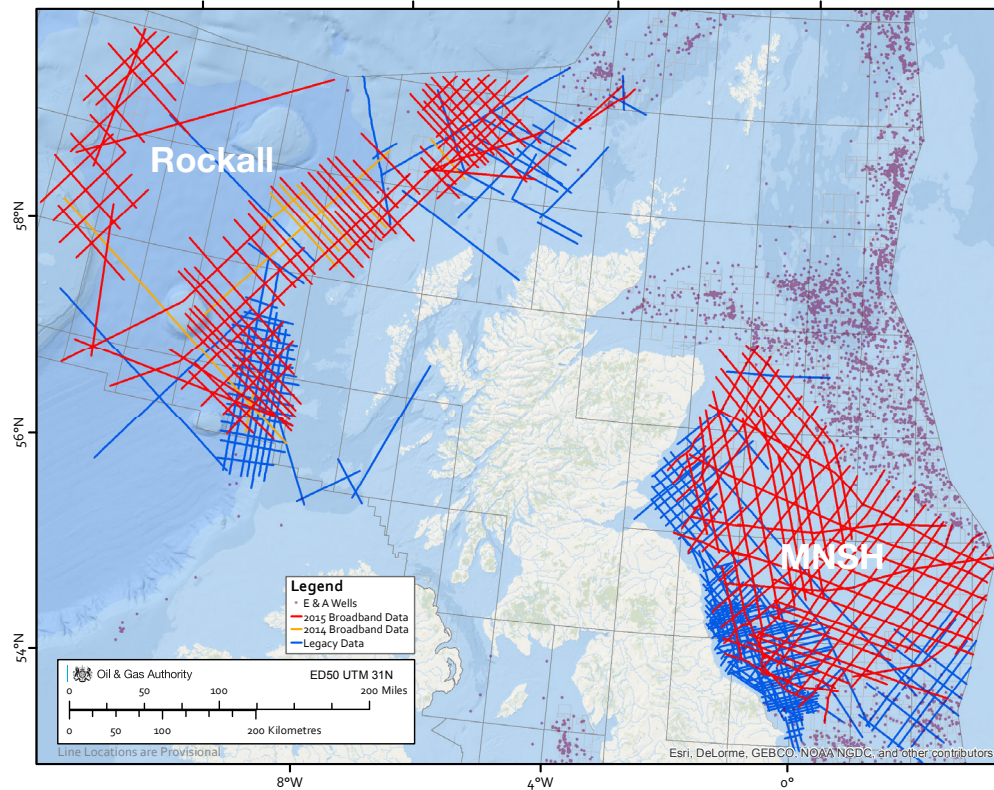
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29th Frontier Round Data Packages

Available end Q1 2016



Rockall Trough

8896 km ("full fold") PSTM	Broadband data acquired as part of the UK Government-funded seismic project by WesternGeco in 2015
1117km ("full fold") PSTM	Broadband data acquired in 2014 by WesternGeco and part of the UK Government-funded seismic project
Approx. 5000 km*	Selection of legacy 2D seismic data from WesternGeco data library.
Approx. 735 km (current estimate)*	Reprocessed (2015) Legacy data from WesternGeco data library.

Mid-North Sea High (MNSH)

10849km ("full fold") PSTM	Broadband data acquired as part of the UK Government-funded seismic project by WesternGeco in 2015
Approx. 10,000 km*	Selection of legacy 2D seismic data from WesternGeco data library.
Approx. 1475 km (current estimate)*	Reprocessed (2015) Legacy data from WesternGeco data library.

Basic Data FREE to All

Data packages will be available for download via www.ukoilandgasdata.com

The data packages will be delivered as a Workstation-Ready Product, as well as individually downloadable formats. The data packages will include:

- Processed Seismic Data, Pre-Stack Time Migrated (Full Offset Stack and Angle Stacks), including
 - New Acquisition from Rockall Trough & the Mid North Sea High
 - WesternGeco legacy data
 - Reprocessed examples of WesternGeco legacy data
- Database of Released Well Data
- Gravity and Magnetic Data plus Maps, with integrated Rockall Trough interpretation.
- Raw Seismic Data will be available on request (a media and handling charge will apply)

Additional regional data is available to purchase, subject to terms and conditions, from:

- PAD Ireland: 16,800 km of PreSTM Regional Seismic, with key Irish wells and gravity/magnetic data
- British Geological Survey: 21C XRM Palaeozoic Study, for participants/sponsors

The latest shapefiles of the survey locations are available from the OGA website.

29th Frontier Licensing Round Call for Nominations

Nominations will close on
17th January 2016

The Oil & Gas Authority requests nominations from companies for additional frontier areas to be included in the 'Frontier' 29th Seaward Licensing Round, beyond those covered by the Government-Funded Seismic Surveys.

The nominations should make the case for the inclusion of these additional areas, with the following supporting evidence:

- Blocks of interest (with map and shapefiles)
- Rationale and geotechnical analysis, identifying dependencies (prospects, infrastructure etc)
- Assessment of currently available geophysical data and wells (coverage and quality)
- Potential Work Programme with timings, leading to drilling activity.

There is no guarantee that nominated areas will be included in the 29th Round, and the OGA may instead consider them for inclusion in subsequent licensing rounds.

Nominating parties will not be obliged to submit an application on areas that they nominate.

Nominations will be accepted from E&P Companies and Geophysical Contractors.

All nominations will be kept confidential.

Frontier Round Nominations should be sent by email to:

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