

Press release ONE-Dyas

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Green light for gas production project N05-A

The Dutch Ministry of Economic Affairs and Climate (EZK) published the recovery decision for gas production project N05-A on Wednesday 29 May 2024. This allows ONE-Dyas to resume operations in the North Sea.

On 1 June 2022, the Ministry of EZK issued the permits for the N05-A gas development project. Several parties filed a lawsuit against that decision. The court ruled on 18 April 2024 that the permits that deal with the extraction of natural gas and the laying of the pipeline and power cable remain intact, but indicated that the State Secretary of EZK, in consultation with the Minister for Nature and Nitrogen, had to rectify a few defects in the environmental permit. [Such amended decision has now been published, with effect from 30 May 2024.](#)

Taking responsibility

Chris de Ruyter van Steveninck, CEO ONE-Dyas: 'The transition to 100% renewable energy takes time. As long as there is still demand for natural gas, we and the Dutch government are taking responsibility for our own production. By doing so, we are less dependent on countries outside the EU, keep the ecological footprint substantially lower and contribute to a resilient economy.'



Production platform N05-A under construction

First natural gas from N05-A in 2024

Platform N05-A will be the first Dutch platform in the North Sea to run directly on offshore wind energy by connecting to the nearby Riffgat wind farm, resulting in near-zero emissions. N05-A is also suitable for future development of green hydrogen and for CCS. ONE-Dyas and all contracted companies will now start finalising the work in the North Sea as soon as possible. Chris de Ruyter van Steveninck: 'The publication of the amended decision is the go-ahead for ONE-Dyas to immediately start offshore work to ensure that the first natural gas is available in December 2024.'



Visualisation platform N05-A and connection to Riffgat wind farm

Potential of the GEMS area in the North Sea

Project N05-A is part of the so-called GEMS area, an area in the Dutch and German North Sea about 20 to 100 kilometres north of the mouth of the river Ems. The estimated potential of the gas fields is around 50 billion cubic metres of natural gas. The development of the gas fields in this area is fully in line with the Dutch government's call to accelerate gas production in the North Sea as part of the energy transition. For future developments, ONE-Dyas will go through another permit procedure.

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