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### Abandonment exploration well Tioni-1

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On the Kouilou permit (Maurel & Prom, 65% operator), the exploration well Tioni-1, whose main objective was the Vandji sandstone reservoir, was plugged and abandoned on Thursday, the 22<sup>nd</sup> of February 2007.

Following the sale agreement signed with Eni on Thursday, the 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2007, Maurel & Prom's share in the exploration permit Kouilou could decrease from 65 to 15%, value date 1<sup>st</sup> January 2007.

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