

DGH COMMENTS ON ARTICLE PUBLISHED IN PETROWATCH

This refers to an article dated 27th March, 2008, entitled “Attracting new companies to NELP-VII won’t be easy” in the website www.petrowatch.com.

We thank the website for commenting positively on DGH’s handling of NELP-VII and data management system. Our comments on some of the observations made in the article are as follows:

- Regarding the data room in DGH, Noida, which is reportedly causing some inconvenience due to its location in Noida, we would like to inform all readers that the shifting from Delhi to Noida was necessitated due to constraints of space and the ever increasing activities and responsibilities of DGH.
- Data Packages are always block-specific. Companies were briefed about the regional basin set-up in which the blocks are located. Basin information dockets are available for each basin that provides data on the entire basin. Companies interested in viewing regional lines or wells located outside the block area are provided with the relevant information by DGH.
- It is not entirely true that big blocks are not being offered in NELP-VII. Large blocks are under offer in the West Coast and Andaman areas.