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Report of Foreign Private Issuer

Pursuant to Rules 13a-16 or 15d-16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Dated January 19, 2007

STATOIL ASA

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

FORUSBEEN 50, N-4035, STAVANGER, NORWAY (Address of principal executive offices)

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Statoil's share saving plan allocates shares

The shares purchased by DnB NOR on behalf of Statoil (OSE:STL, NYSE:STO) on 15 January 2007 for use in the group's share saving plan have on 17 January 2006 been distributed to the employees in accordance with their savings amount and bonus shares for the 2004 share saving plan. Following this, the share saving plan has 1,028,828 shares.

As participants in Statoil's share saving plan, the primary insiders below have been allocated shares in accordance with their share saving plan 2004 an average price of NOK 161,15.

Name	Bonus 2004	New shares holding
Eldar Sætre	82	1675
Jon Arnt Jacobsen	114	2026
Margareth Øvrum	275	2418
Inge Eivind Sørvik	40	912
Ola Morten Aanestad	40	710
Lars Troen Sørensen	186	925
Torgrim Reitan	80	702
Kåre Thomsen	243	2426
May-Marie Thomsen	104	677
Stein Egil Næss	40	792
Morten Svaan	40	523
Runar T Tjersland	222	1288

STATOIL ASA (Registrant)

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