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Ecopetrol and Petrobras confirm a new and relevant discovery of natural gas in the Sandía-1 well, in deep waters of the Colombian Caribbean.

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The state companies Ecopetrol, from Colombia, and Petrobras, from Brazil, announced this Monday the discovery of natural gas in the exploratory well Sandía-1, located in Block GUA-OFF-O, in the deep waters of the Colombian Caribbean.

According to the information released by both oil companies, Sandía-1 is located about 42 kilometers from the coast, at a water depth of 1,285 meters. In addition, it is located 18 kilometers from the wells Sirius-1 (gas discoverer) and Sirius-2 (delimiter), and 9 kilometers from Copoazu-1, also a gas discoverer.

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The development of the project is framed within the contract signed with the National Hydrocarbons Agency (ANH) of Colombia and with the Colombian subsidiary of Petrobras, which is the operator of the block. In this agreement, Ecopetrol holds a 55.6% stake and Petrobras controls the remaining 44.4%.

For Ecopetrol, this discovery reaffirms the "great gas potential" of the Colombian Caribbean and the favorable effect of the offshore exploratory campaign, with which it is advancing "on the right path" to increase the availability of gas in the domestic market.

From Petrobras's perspective, the project fits into its long-term roadmap to replenish its oil and gas reserves through joint exploratory programs, with the aim of contributing to ensuring global energy supply.

The drilling of the Sandía-1 well began on June 12 and reached its final depth on July 29. The intervals in which the presence of gas was verified are being thoroughly analyzed through well logs and will later undergo additional laboratory studies.

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