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## **Form 6-K**

### **SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

#### **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 |
|----------------------------|------------|--------------------|
| <b>Eldar Sætre</b>         | <b>82</b>  | <b>1675</b>        |
| <b>Jon Arnt Jacobsen</b>   | <b>114</b> | <b>2026</b>        |
| <b>Margareth Øvrum</b>     | <b>275</b> | <b>2418</b>        |
| <b>Inge Eivind Sørvik</b>  | <b>40</b>  | <b>912</b>         |
| <b>Ola Morten Aanestad</b> | <b>40</b>  | <b>710</b>         |
| <b>Lars Troen Sørensen</b> | <b>186</b> | <b>925</b>         |
| <b>Torgrim Reitan</b>      | <b>80</b>  | <b>702</b>         |
| <b>Kåre Thomsen</b>        | <b>243</b> | <b>2426</b>        |
| <b>May-Marie Thomsen</b>   | <b>104</b> | <b>677</b>         |
| <b>Stein Egil Næss</b>     | <b>40</b>  | <b>792</b>         |
| <b>Morten Svaan</b>        | <b>40</b>  | <b>523</b>         |
| <b>Runar T Tjersland</b>   | <b>222</b> | <b>1288</b>        |

STATOIL ASA  
(Registrant)

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