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# The mid-cap interview: Jim House, CEO of Neptune Energy

Neptune Energy is a contradiction in the exploration and production sector, a “mature start-up” befitting the mid-cap mould with an entrepreneurial mindset and an asset base already in the billions. Instigated by former Centrica heavyweight Sam Laidlaw, the company has a portfolio presence in the North Sea, mainland Europe, North Africa and the Asia-Pacific region. Neptune’s pared-back approach slots particularly well into the UKCS, where the mid-caps have shown how much additional value can be captured by going “back-to-basics”, stripping out bureaucracy and fast-tracking investment decisions. Gas Matters sits down with Neptune Energy CEO Jim House to find out how its entrepreneurial tack is working in the North Sea.



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