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Ecopetrol eyes nearby infrastructure for potential Colombia development

Ecopetrol and Petrobras recently announced a natural gas discovery in the Tayrona block offshore Colombia

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Colombian state-controlled oil company Ecopetrol is analysing the use of existing infrastructure in the Caribbean to assist in the potential development of the Uchuva-1 natural gas discovery.

Ecopetrol and project partner Petrobras of Brazil announced in late July a gas discovery in the Tayrona block offshore Colombia with the drilling of the Uchuva-1 prospect.

“Uchuva opened up a new gas province in the north of the Colombian Caribbean,” Ecopetrol chief executive Felipe Bayon told investors in a conference call.

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