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## VICAT ACQUIRES LOUIS THIRIET ET CIE

### Vicat expands its coverage in north-eastern France with the acquisition of Louis Thiriet et Cie, a specialist in Concrete & Aggregates

**Paris La Défense, January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2011:** The Vicat group (NYSE Euronext Paris:FR0000031775 – VCT) is today announcing the acquisition of Louis Thiriet et Cie, a company based at Hériménil in the Meurthe-et-Moselle department and specialised in the production of Concrete & Aggregates.

Louis Thiriet et Cie has 105 employees. It operates three concrete plants and four alluvial aggregates and massive rock quarries with a total annual capacity of around 100,000 m<sup>3</sup> in concrete and 500,000 tonnes in aggregates. In 2009, Louis Thiriet et Cie posted sales of €19 million.

Through this acquisition, Vicat has expanded and reinforced its operations in the south of the Lorraine region. Louis Thiriet et Cie's public works segment will be managed by a Vicat partner active in this area.



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### ABOUT VICAT

The Vicat Group has **nearly 6,700 employees** working in three core divisions, Cement, Concrete & Aggregates and Other Products & Services, which generated **consolidated sales of €1,896 million** in 2009.

The Group **operates in eleven countries:** France, Switzerland, Italy, the United States, Turkey, Egypt, Senegal, Mali, Mauritania, Kazakhstan and India. Nearly 56% of sales are generated outside France.

The Vicat Group is the heir to an industrial tradition dating back to 1817, when Louis Vicat invented artificial cement. Founded in 1853, the Vicat Group now operates **three core lines of business: Cement, Ready-Mixed Concrete and Aggregates**, as well as related activities.