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# Vicat joins the New Energies Coalition to accelerate the decarbonization of transport and industry

Vicat Group announces its membership of the <u>New Energies Coalition</u>, a consortium of industrial players committed to developing low-carbon solutions for transport and logistics. This association is in line with the Group's decarbonization strategy, for achieving carbon neutrality by 2050.

## Vicat: driving the decarbonization of the sector

For many years, the **Group has been undergoing an in-depth transformation of its industrial processes and solutions to sustainably reduce its carbon footprint**, based on innovation, the circular economy and energy optimisation.

By joining the New Energies Coalition, Vicat becomes part of a collective initiative dedicated to developing CO<sub>2</sub> as a resource, particularly for the production of alternative energies for maritime and air transport.

The VAIA project, driven by Vicat at its Montalieu site, illustrates this ambition. It will **capture**, **transport and store up to 1.2 million tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> per year**. The sheer scale of this project will help initiate a movement to decarbonize the Rhône Valley. It will also allow the possibility of recycling the captured CO<sub>2</sub> to develop new industries.

"Joining the New Energies Coalition means strengthening our commitment to the concrete and collective decarbonization of our activities. By combining our expertise, we can make  $CO_2$  a resource for alternative energies and sustainable mobility, for the benefit of sectors, regions, and future generations." Guy Sidos, Chairman and CEO of Vicat Group

## Building sustainable industrial and energy synergies

The aim of Vicat's membership of the New Energies Coalition is to create synergies to:

- **Recover industrial CO<sub>2</sub>** (CCU) for the production of e-fuels;
- **Develop low-carbon materials and solutions** for port and transport infrastructure;

- **Develop low-carbon river transport**, with transport of clinker by electric barge on the Rhône from the Montalieu cement plant to the Vicat cement grinding site in Fos-sur-Mer;
- Collaborate on European programmes and contribute to projects encouraging logistics resilience (Rhône-Mediterranean corridor, intermodality, restoration of underwater biodiversity, etc.).

## About the New Energies Coalition:

**New Energies**, the Energies Coalition for Transport & Logistics brings together 21 major players committed to decarbonising the sector. Initiated in December 2019 by **Rodolphe Saadé**, CEO of CMA CGM Group, this cross-sector initiative aims to accelerate the development of innovative solutions for sustainable supply chains.

#### **About Vicat:**

For 170 years, VICAT has been a leading player in the mineral and biosourced building materials industry. Vicat is a group listed on the Euronext Paris stock exchange, part of the SBF 120 Index, and is under the majority control of the founding family. Committed to a trajectory that will make it carbon-neutral across its value chain by 2050, the company now operates three core lines of business: Cement, Ready-Mixed Concrete and Aggregates, as well as related activities. The Vicat Group is present in 12 countries spanning both developed and emerging markets. It has close to 10,000 employees and generated consolidated sales of €3,884 billion in 2024. With its strong regional positions, VICAT is developing a circular economy model beneficial for all and innovates every day to reduce the construction industry's environmental impact.

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