



Press Release

CONSORTIUM LED BY AUTOSTRAD PER L'ITALIA CHOSEN TO INSTALL SATELLITE-BASED TOLL SYSTEM FOR HEAVY VEHICLES IN FRANCE

Rome, 18 January 2011 – Following a tender procedure launched in May 2009, France's Ministry of Ecology, Sustainable Development, Transport and Housing (MEDDTL) has chosen Autostrade per l'Italia as preferred bidder for the awarding of the contract for the implementation and operation of a satellite-based toll system for heavy vehicles weighing over 3.5 tons using part of the country's road network of approximately 15.000 km (*Eco Taxe Poids Lourds*).

The contract, which will be definitively awarded in the coming months, will have a duration of thirteen years and it is worth, in total, over €2bn of expected revenues. In details the contract includes a twenty-one month design and construction initial phase, followed by operation and maintenance of the system for eleven and a half years. The project will be performed by the Ecomouv consortium, set up by Autostrade per l'Italia (70%), Thales (11%), SNCF (10%), SFR (6%) and Steria (3%).

"The result of the tender called by the French Government, which attracted bids from leading French and international industrial and technology groups," declared Atlantia's CEO, Giovanni Castellucci, "is due recognition for the Group's leadership and world-beating expertise. We play a leading role in the automated toll collection sector in Europe, having been the first to launch Telepass in 1990, a system now used by over 7m people and the most widespread form of toll payment in Europe, and having developed the first ever free flow, multilane toll collection system to be used throughout a national road network for the Austrian government in 2004."

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