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**VINCI Autoroutes inaugurates the widening of the A57 to 2x3 lanes, a project carried out by NGE, improving traffic conditions for the Toulon urban area.**

Today, NGE Group inaugurates the expansion of the A57 motorway to 2x3 lanes in Toulon, a strategic route serving the Toulon urban area and, more broadly, mobility between Marseille, Toulon, and Nice. Carried out on behalf of VINCI Autoroutes, this large-scale project, conducted under live traffic conditions for four and a half years, showcases the effectiveness of NGE's multi-trade model in delivering complex infrastructure projects.

**Combining technical innovation, environmental performance and strong social commitment, this project, carried out in a constrained urban environment, brings lasting improvements to traffic conditions along a major corridor in southern France for the benefit of both users and local residents.**

The widening of the A57 to 2x3 lanes over a 7 km stretch was carried out without interrupting traffic for motorists. Lasting four and a half years, it now stands as one of the most significant motorway projects in southern France, improving the daily lives of both users and nearby residents.

In addition to increasing traffic capacity, the project brought a major transformation of the infrastructure, including the reconfiguration of the central reservation, the creation of a dedicated public transport lane, the installation of 8 km of noise barriers, and 61 dynamic signage systems to improve traffic flow and safety in real time.

For NGE, the success of this project is based on its multi-trade model, which brought together six of its subsidiaries: Guintoli, EHTP, NGE GC, NGE Routes, Agilis and NGE Fondations, all under integrated management. This unique internal organisation enables full control of all areas of expertise, including earthworks, utilities, civil engineering, roadworks, equipment and foundations. It allows NGE to offer its client, VINCI Autoroutes, a high level of performance, coordination and responsiveness, while meeting deadlines and addressing the specific constraints of the site.

Committed to environmental innovation, NGE implemented sustainable solutions including, for the first time on a concessioned motorway, the use of asphalt made from recycled railway ballast, which helped reduce the project's carbon footprint. The creation of retention basins also ensured effective stormwater management while fitting within a landscaping approach.

The social commitment was strong, with over 150,000 hours of integration completed - more than double the initial targets - and nearly 200 recruitments carried out in partnership with local employment organisations.

*Jean Bernadet, President of NGE, states: "It is with great pride that I today mark the completion of the widening of the A57 in Toulon, which demonstrates NGE's ability to take on major technical challenges in service of the regions. This project, carried out in synergy by six of our subsidiaries, fully embodies our multi-trade model. Thanks to this coordination, we have honoured our commitments alongside VINCI Autoroutes. This project goes far beyond a technical achievement: it reflects our determination to build sustainable and useful infrastructure that serves the residents and their daily lives."*

With this achievement, NGE confirms its position as a key player in major infrastructure projects such as motorway widenings, drawing on over 40 years of experience since its first widening project on the A7 completed in 1983.

**Key figures of the project :**

- **4.5 years** of work
- **7 km** of motorway with an additional lane
- Up to **550 employees involved**
- **6 NGE subsidiaries** engaged
- **3 municipalities** concerned: Toulon, La Valette-du-Var, La Garde
- **3 full interchanges + 2 half interchanges**
- **1 SNCF junction, 1 service area**
- **8 km of noise barriers**
- **6.5 km** of road markings
- **7 km** of piles and **3 km** of micropiles for the foundations

**About NGE**

NGE – Nouvelles Générations d'Entrepreneurs – is the fourth largest French construction group, building major infrastructure as well as urban and local projects. With expertise in financing, design, construction and maintenance, the Group is a leading player in delivering structures tailored to the economic and environmental challenges of the regions. Its entrepreneurial drive is supported by a strong employee shareholding structure (founders, management and employees hold 72% of the Group's capital), reinforced by the French investment fund Montefiore (28% of the capital). With a turnover of 4.6 billion euros, NGE operates in 20 countries and supports private and public clients in financing, designing and delivering their transition projects in water, mobility, urban renewal, energy and telecommunications. NGE's 23,000 employees take pride in contributing to building structures that change the world.