



## Affine – Inauguration of the Molina logistics site in Saint Etienne

***The Affine Group is inaugurating a new logistics platform in Saint-Etienne, rented to Établissement de Diffusion, d'Impression et d'Archives du Commissariat de l'Armée de Terre (EDIACAT), Locaposte and Arcole.***

In November 2007, Affine acquired this 45,000 m<sup>2</sup> logistics and office property complex built in the late 1970s. Located in the business park of Molina-la-Chazotte, the site, which was previously occupied by the Casino group for a long period of time, had been vacant since December 2004.

Under the vigorous policy adopted by the city of Saint Etienne to revitalize industrial sites, Affine, in partnership with Générale de Logistique, a property developer, launched heavy renovation works on the site valued at €17 million.

The new spacious and functional premises are leased to three companies. La Poste and Arcole received their premises at the end of 2008, while the French Army documentation organisation, *Établissement de Diffusion, d'Impression et d'Archives du Commissariat de l'Armée de Terre* (EDIACAT) came into possession of its premises in early 2009.

EDIACAT occupies 32,000 m<sup>2</sup> of the northern building, where the ground floor has been completely converted to install EDIACAT's printing press. Storage activities are located in the other levels of the building, representing 12 kilometres of shelves and 3,200 m<sup>3</sup> of archives.

In connection with its overall plan to modernise mail processing, La Poste has a surface area of 3,800 m<sup>2</sup> for its new mail preparation and distribution platform.

Arcole, a signage equipment manufacturer, occupies 8,600 m<sup>2</sup> of space split between the main building and the "pagoda", a small standalone office building.

Affine was already present in Saint-Étienne with the acquisition, in 2006, of the Dorian shopping centre located in the city centre. The shopping centre covers 5,000 m<sup>2</sup> of floor space spread on two levels and mostly occupied by the FNAC and La Grande Récré, along with some ten or more other stores.



**Acquisition date:** November 2007

**Length of works:** 12 months

**Delivery date:** End of 2008

**Surface area of the land:** 10 hectares

**Building:** 44,600 m<sup>2</sup>

**Investor:** Affine Group

**Main renovation works:**

- Revamping of all networks (water, gas, high and low voltage installations)
- Creation of openings in the peripheral sidings and installation of automatic doors and glass structures
- Revamping of the heating and hot water production and air-conditioning of offices
- Creation of regulatory fire cut-off separations
- Upgrading to meet smoke extraction standards
- Refurbishment of offices and service lifts
- Creation of roads and parking areas



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## **About EDIACAT**

*The Etablissement de diffusion, d'impression et d'archives du commissariat de l'armée de terre (Ediacat) employs 154 people in Saint-Etienne. Its tasks include printing, and disseminating regulatory documentation, in addition to managing and keeping the administrative and accounting archives of the French army.*

## **About the Affine Group:**

*The Affine group is structured around three property companies:*

- Affine, a property company with French REIT (SIIC) status, which is listed on NYSE Euronext Paris, and which operates as an investor (offices, warehouses, stores) throughout France and in neighbouring countries. It is also a credit institution through its financial leasing business. The Affine share is included in the SBF 250 (CAC Small 90), SIIC IEIF and EPRA indices.*
- Banimmo, a Belgian property company listed on NYSE Euronext Brussels and Paris, is majority controlled by Affine (50%) and the company's management (27%). It is specifically involved in renovating and repositioning buildings in Belgium, France and Luxembourg.*
- AffiParis is a French REIT (SIIC) listed on NYSE Euronext Paris, and specialised in commercial property in Paris.*

*The group also has subsidiaries specialised in logistics engineering (Concerto Développement and Concerto Développement Ibérica), retail investment (Capucine Investissements), property development (Promaffine) and business centres (BFI).*

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