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Fastned to install fast charging stations along French motorways

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Fastned, the European fast charging network for electric vehicles, has been selected by Autoroutes Paris-Rhin-Rhône (APRR), the French motorway and toll road group, to develop and operate 9 fast charging stations along key motorways in France. When approved by the French Ministry of Transportation, it will mark Fastned's entry into the French market.

The contract with APRR will enable Fastned to build large fast charging stations on 9 sites directly along the highway from Paris to Lyon, on the route to Switzerland, and around Dijon, ensuring electric drivers can travel the Autoroute du Soleil from France's capital to Lyon.

This is the first time Fastned wins a charging infrastructure tender in France and the first time ever that APRR held a public tender for EV charging infrastructure.

The construction of the charging stations is planned for 2021 after which Fastned will be able to

operate the stations for 14 years. At each location, Fastned plans to build a large charging station capable of charging up to 16 vehicles simultaneously. This will allow hundreds of cars per day to charge per location. The stations will feature a roof with photovoltaic cells on a timber structure, and deliver 100% renewable energy derived from a mix of wind and solar sources.

Based in Amsterdam, Dutch company Fastned specialises in developing and operating fast charging infrastructure where drivers can charge their electric vehicle with up to 300 km of range in 15 minutes. The company has built 129 fast charging stations across the Netherlands, Germany, the United Kingdom and Belgium, since it was founded in 2012.