

**Question for written answer E-008823/2014
to the Commission**

Rule 130

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Subject: Ca' Balestra landfill project

The Veneto environmental impact assessment (EIA) commission is currently assessing a proposal to open an integrated facility for the recovery and disposal of non-hazardous special waste in Ca' Balestra, between Veggio sul Mincio and Quaderni di Villafranca in the province of Verona.

The proposed site for the landfill is a former gravel pit which has been out of use for 20 years but was never closed down or restored. An urban waste facility, which is also out of use but continues to produce leachate, is situated nearby.

The landfill would be located on highly permeable subsoil resting on the groundwater table. What is more, the site lies within the boundaries of a groundwater replenishment area which, by Decision No 952 of 8 March 1994, the Veneto regional authorities asked the Ministry of the Environment to designate as a high environmental risk area.

Can the Commission say whether it considers the above landfill project to be in breach of:

1. Directive 2008/98/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 19 November 2008 on waste and repealing certain directives;
2. Directive 2006/118/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 12 December 2006 on the protection of groundwater against pollution and deterioration?