Question for written answer E-009316/2014 to the Commission

Rule 130

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Subject: Management of solid urban waste in the Region of Campania

On 4 March 2010, the European Court of Justice declared Italy in breach of Articles 4 and 5 of Directive 2006/12/EC of 5 April 2006.

With infringement 2007/2195, on 6 November 2014 the Court confirmed that the regional authorities had failed to set up an adequate integrated network for the disposal of waste without risk to human health and the environment.

With Article 35 of Decree Law No 133 of 12 September 2014, the Italian Council of Ministers sped up only the construction of new waste-to-energy plants, ignoring the 'hierarchy principle' laid down by Directive 2008/98/EC, with the Acerra incinerator also functioning in breach of the requirements of the Italian Ministerial Commission on EIA (environmental impact assessment), by burning unsorted, uncontrolled waste, including eco-bales.

Petition 347/2008 sent to the European Parliament by many citizens is still current in view of the health conditions of the people of Acerra, as confirmed by the visit to Campania by the European Parliament delegation on 28-30 April 2010.

Can the Commission answer the following questions:

- Does it think it should intervene with the Italian Government and the regional council so that, instead of building new incineration plants, they invest resources in sorted waste collection, in accordance with Directive 2008/98/EC?
- 2. Should the CIP 6 State subsidies that are meant only for renewable energy sources and the biodegradable fraction of waste but have been allocated to the Acerra incinerator be considered illegitimate State aid?

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