Question for written answer E-000872/2015 to the Commission Rule 130 Ivan Jakovčić (ALDE)

Subject: Plomin power plants and CCS [Carbon Capture and Storage]

The Croatian County of Istria has on its territory the power plants Plomin 1 and 2. As these power plants have for decades been running exclusively on coal fuel, they are a major pollutant of the environment. Some studies show that the threat to the health of the citizens of the town of Labin and the municipalities of Raša, Kršan, Pićan and Sveta Nedelja is exceptionally high, and an increased death rate is also mentioned. It is well known, of course, that the use of coal results in high CO₂ emissions.

- 1. I ask the Commission what possibilities exist for the use of the CCS system in the thermal power plants Plomin 1 and 2?
- 2. Is it intended to provide subsidies for environmental protection through the use of CCS?
- 3. Do these subsidies relate to the private or the public sector, or both?

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