## Question for written answer E-005330/2015 to the Commission

**Rule 130** 

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Subject: Public access to information on the environmental monitoring of works subject to environmental impact assessment

In accordance with Directive 2003/4/EC, it is obligatory for works undergoing environmental impact assessment (EIA) to be subject to environmental monitoring measures.

In Italy Article 28(2) of Legislative Decree 152/2006, which transposed the EU rules on EIA, states that the results of monitoring must be made public through the websites of the responsible authority. A total of 390 projects (including over 250 approved projects) have been examined at a national level since 2006 and thousands of projects have been approved by Italian regions using regional EIA procedures. An analysis of the Ministry of the Environment website reveals that only nine projects refer to 'environmental observatories' and of these only three offer access to data.

A study of 20 websites for Italian regions did not reveal information relating to monitoring data for the works.

By way of example, in the case of the Villanova – Gissi power line (http://www.va.minambiente.it/it-IT/Oggetti/Info/295) the works appear to have been started in July 2014, well before the final approval of ex-ante monitoring activities, which was only obtained on 30 October 2014.

In view of the above will the Commission state:

- whether Italy has breached Directive 2011/92/EEC and Directive 2003/4/EC by not providing public access to available data concerning monitoring activities;
- whether it is aware of the actual implementation in Italy of monitoring measures that were approved in theory at the same time as works subject to EIA?

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