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to the Commission**

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Subject: Disposal of Category 1 waste

By means of Regulations 1069/2009, 592/2014 and 142/2011, the EU authorised the disposal of animal waste by incineration of BSE risk material in internal combustion engines: this means Category 1 waste, including sections of animals, material seized in a cross-border context and suspected BSE-contaminated material.

The Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Food Safety imposed the requirement that the gas from the incineration process must reach 1100°C or 850°C for specified periods of time, thus demonstrating that it is impossible to attain the temperatures required by regulation 142/2011.

The Commission maintains that the rules on incineration and combustion in boilers are based on EFSA's opinion and that the changes made by Regulation 592/2014 are minor technical adjustments.

Fat naturally contains dioxins, which in the presence of chlorine are released into the air unless the requirement to attain temperatures of 1100°C and 850°C is complied with, and EFSA rejected a temperature of 200° and a pressure of 16 bars, whereas the regulation permits a pressure of 3 bars.

How, therefore, does the Commission explain the use of internal combustion engines to incinerate Category 1 waste, bearing in mind that they cannot match a boiler at 1100°C?

Why did the Commission – 7015/2012 MK – not inform EFSA with a view to applying Article 20 of Regulation 1069/2009?