

**Question for written answer E-002133/2016
to the Commission**
Rule 130
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Subject: Transparency and comparability of assessment of energy efficiency action plans

Under the Energy Efficiency Directive (2012/27/EU) each Member State is required to produce a National Energy Efficiency Action Plan by 30 April 2014 and every three years thereafter. Annex V to the directive lays down the common methods and principles for calculating the impact of energy efficiency obligations schemes or other policy measures under Article 7(1), (2), and (9) and Article 20(6). However, there appear to be differences regarding transparency requirements in the different National Energy Efficiency Action Plans, e.g. between the methodologies used in UK and Spain. The UK plan clearly states what models are being used (ESME, CaRB and Heat Maps) and what databases are being applied, e.g. NEED. The models have been subject to a scientific peer review. Spain's plan, on the other hand, does not refer explicitly to models or datasets.

How can the Commission assess plans using different methodologies or plans which have no declared methodology?

Does the Commission have any plans to improve the comparability and transparency of the National Energy Efficiency Action Plans?

How is the Commission intending to assess plans which rely on different methodologies or plans which have no declared methodology?