Question for written answer E-005707/2016 to the Commission Rule 130 José Blanco López (S&D)

Subject: Ecological status of Galician rivers

Recent reports suggest that the ecological status of almost one in every four stretches of river in Galicia is poor. Although the situation has been improving, we still have a long way to go before reaching the target, set by the Water Framework Directive (WFD), of achieving good status for all waters. The Xunta of Galicia has identified 5916 discharge points, 847 of which are a source of pollution.

Is the Commission aware of this problem?

Could it say what European funding has been earmarked under the new financial framework to improve the ecological status of Galician rivers and if it intends to call on the Galician and Spanish authorities to take new measures to meet the objectives set in the WFD?

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