

**Question for written answer E-007232/2016
to the Commission**

Rule 130

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Subject: Non-compliance by the Galician Government with EU legislation on waste management

The Galician Platform against Incineration and for Recycling (La Plataforma Galega contra a Incineración e polo Reciclaxe) has filed a complaint – declared admissible in 2015– with the Commission and Parliament’s Committee on Petitions about the 2010-2020 Galician Urban Waste Management Plan. In that petition, it called for an evaluation of the negligent treatment of waste by the Galician Environment Association (SOGAMA) with a view to ensuring that the Galician Government overhauls its centralised and outdated waste management model and replaces it with a model which complies with EU legislation and is based on the reduction, re-use and recycling of waste.

Spills and accidents, especially fires, are occurring repeatedly in SOGAMA’s landfill sites in Areosa (Cerceda, A Coruña). The most recent news (reported by the Galician Government itself) is that aquatic birds recorded in the Vilagudín reservoir, located only 3 or 4 km from the abovementioned landfill sites, are dying out.

Such incidents appear to show that the Spanish Government is not correctly monitoring the impact of the landfill sites on the natural environment.

1. Would the Commission say that the Galician Government is in breach of EU law on waste management?
2. Has it investigated, monitored or drawn up recommendations on the Galician Government’s waste management policies? If not, does it plan to do so?