Question for written answer E-005191/2018 to the Commission Rule 130 Miguel Viegas (GUE/NGL)

Subject: Information on SS Bioenergias and its Marinha das Ondas facility

SS Bioenergias, SA was founded in 2009. The company intends to establish a base in Portugal during the first half of 2020 in the form of an organic waste recovery facility in the parish of Marinha das Ondas, part of the municipality of Figueira da Foz. Within the immediate radius of this plant there are three restaurants as well as a great many homes. Hundreds of thousands of tonnes of waste will be processed on the site, first and foremost sewage treatment and animal tissue sludge. In addition to the direct impact of the facility's operations, another factor to take into account is the flow of dozens of lorries a day, which will inevitably damage the quality of life for the people living in that part of Portugal, where there are two paper pulp factories already operating.

Has the Commission received any application for funding for this SS Bioenergias plant? If so, have the rules been fully complied with as regards environmental impact assessment and consultation of the public? Furthermore, have all possible avenues been completely explored with a view to reconciling the existence of the facility with the well-being and health of the local people?

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