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Implementation of the Mining Waste Directive (2006/21/EC)
(2015/2117(INI))

Amendment 1

Nicola Caputo, Claudiu Ciprian Tănăsescu, Nessa Childers, Simona Bonafè, Pavel Poc, Massimo Paolucci

Motion for a resolution

Citation 7 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- *having regard to Directive 2004/35/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 21 April 2004 on environmental liability with regard to the prevention and remedying of environmental damage,*

Or. en

Amendment 2

Mark Demesmaeker

Motion for a resolution

Citation 8

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

— having regard to the European Implementation Assessment study on the ‘Mining Waste Directive’ of January 2017 carried out by the European Parliamentary Research Service⁷,

— having regard to the European Implementation Assessment study on the ‘Mining Waste Directive’ of January 2017 carried out by the European Parliamentary Research Service, *including its Annex 1 Study 'Exploring the alternatives to technologies involving high environmental and health risks related to the improper management of the waste from extractive industries: Challenges, risks and opportunities for the extractive industries arising in the context of the "circular economy" concept'*⁷,

⁷ PE number: 593.788.

⁷ PE number: 593.788.

Or. en

Amendment 3

Nicola Caputo, Claudiu Ciprian Tănăsescu, Nessa Childers, Simona Bonafè, Elena Gentile, Pavel Poc, Massimo Paolucci

Motion for a resolution
Citation 10 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- *having regard to COM(2015) 614 from the Commission to the European Parliament, the Council, the European Economic and Social Committee and the Committee of the Regions "Closing the loop - An EU action plan for the Circular Economy",*

Or. en

Amendment 4
Mark Demesmaeker

Motion for a resolution
Citation 10 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- *having regard to the Commission Communication of 2 December 2015 "Closing the loop - An EU Action Plan for the Circular Economy",*

Or. en

Amendment 5
György Hölvényi

Motion for a resolution
Citation 10 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

- *having regard to the feasibility study of the European Commission on the concept of an EU-wide industrial disaster risk sharing facility ^{1a},*

1a Study to explore the feasibility of creating a fund to cover environmental liability and losses occurring from industrial accidents, Final Report, European Commission, DG ENV, 17 April 2013.

Or. en

Amendment 6

Nicola Caputo, Claudiu Ciprian Tănăsescu, Nessa Childers, Simona Bonafè, Elena Gentile, Pavel Poc, Massimo Paolucci

Motion for a resolution

Recital D

Motion for a resolution

D. whereas the Commission has not yet adopted the guidelines on inspections as required by Article 22(1)(c) of the Directive;

Amendment

D. whereas the Commission has not yet adopted the guidelines on inspections as required by Article 22(1)(c) of the Directive, ***and the Directive does not explicitly define the concept of an inspection, nor set out in detail how an inspection should be carried out;***

Or. en

Amendment 7

Davor Škrlec

Motion for a resolution

Recital D

Motion for a resolution

D. whereas the Commission has not yet adopted the guidelines on inspections as required by Article 22(1)(c) of the Directive;

Amendment

D. whereas ***even eleven years after adoption of the Directive***, the Commission has not yet adopted the guidelines on inspections as required by Article 22(1)(c) of the Directive;

Or. en

Amendment 8

Mark Demesmaeker

Motion for a resolution

Recital D a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

D a. whereas the evidence of different interpretations of the Directive clearly underlines the need for robust guidelines from the Commission;

Or. en

Amendment 9

Nicola Caputo, Claudiu Ciprian Tănăsescu, Nessa Childers, Simona Bonafè, Pavel Poc, Massimo Paolucci

Motion for a resolution

Recital D a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

D a. whereas ten Member States reported having no Category A facilities within their national boundaries;

Or. en

Amendment 10

Nicola Caputo, Claudiu Ciprian Tănăsescu, Nessa Childers, Simona Bonafè, Elena Gentile, Pavel Poc, Massimo Paolucci

Motion for a resolution

Recital E

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

E. whereas the limitations of the current three-year reporting system and the quality of available data ***did not make*** it possible to outline and assess the implementation of the Directive in practice;

E. whereas the limitations of the current three-year reporting system, ***evidenced by the disparities between the information provided by Member States and the probable misinterpretation of some of the provisions of the Directive, have meant that the unsatisfactory*** quality of available data ***has not made*** it possible to outline and assess the implementation of

the Directive in practice;

Or. en

Amendment 11
Mark Demesmaeker

Motion for a resolution
Recital G a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

G a. whereas the EU is highly dependent on the import of raw materials from third countries and a significant number of natural resources face rapid depletion; whereas the environmental and health legislation in those third countries is often less stringent than in the EU;

Or. en

Amendment 12
Nicola Caputo, Claudiu Ciprian Tănăsescu, Nessa Childers, Simona Bonafè, Pavel Poc, Massimo Paolucci

Motion for a resolution
Recital G a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

G a. whereas COM(2015) 614 "Closing the loop - An EU action plan for the Circular Economy" adopted by the Commission has not provided any legislative review for the Directive;

Or. en

Amendment 13
Mark Demesmaeker

Motion for a resolution
Recital G b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

G b. *whereas the transition to a circular economy offers important intrinsic environmental benefits and is key to the EU long-term competitiveness;*

Or. en

Amendment 14

Kateřina Konečná, Merja Kyllönen

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

2. Calls on the Member States concerned and the Commission to ensure the correct and complete transposition of the Directive as soon as possible;

Amendment

2. Calls on the Member States concerned and the Commission to ensure the correct and complete transposition of the Directive as soon as possible; ***requests the Commission to provide sufficient guiding to the Member States to ensure the correct and complete transposition;***

Or. en

Amendment 15

Davor Škrlec

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 2

Motion for a resolution

2. Calls on the Member States concerned and the Commission to ensure the correct and complete transposition of the Directive as soon as possible;

Amendment

2. Calls on the Member States concerned and the Commission to ensure the correct and complete transposition ***and implementation*** of the Directive as soon as possible;

Or. en

Amendment 16

Kateřina Konečná, Merja Kyllönen

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Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

4. Urges the Commission, therefore, to adopt sector-specific guidelines on inspections in the extractive waste industries as soon as possible;

Amendment

4. Urges the Commission, therefore, to adopt sector-specific guidelines on inspections in the extractive waste industries as soon as possible; ***calls on the Commission to ensure the possibility of unscheduled on the spot inspections by the relevant competent Member States authorities;***

Or. en

Amendment 17
Davor Škrlec

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

4. Urges the Commission, therefore, to adopt sector-specific guidelines on inspections in the extractive waste industries as soon as possible;

Amendment

4. Urges the Commission, therefore, to adopt sector-specific guidelines on inspections in the extractive waste industries as soon as possible, ***and in any case not later than by the end of 2017;***

Or. en

Amendment 18
Gesine Meissner

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

4. Urges the Commission, therefore, to adopt sector-specific guidelines on inspections in the extractive waste industries as soon as possible;

Amendment

4. Urges the Commission, therefore, to adopt ***concrete*** sector-specific guidelines, ***including a definition,*** on inspections in the extractive waste industries as soon as possible;

Amendment 19

Zoltán Balczó

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 4

Motion for a resolution

4. Urges the Commission, therefore, to adopt sector-specific guidelines on inspections in the extractive waste industries as soon as possible;

Amendment

(Does not affect the English version.)

Or. hu

Amendment 20

Piernicola Pedicini, Eleonora Evi

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 4 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

4 a. Invites the European Commission to evaluate the possibility to start up a revision of the directive to include offshore activities and extend it to the injection of water and re-injection of pumped ground water;

Or. en

Amendment 21

Nicola Caputo, Claudiu Ciprian Tănăsescu, Nessa Childers, Simona Bonafè, Elena Gentile, Pavel Poc, Massimo Paolucci

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 6 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

6 a. Underlines that some figures provided by Member States regarding the number of facilities on their territories

identified as being subject to the Directive do not seem plausible because in some cases they are relatively low when compared to data on the total generation of extractive waste at national level coming from other information sources;

Or. en

Amendment 22

Davor Škrlec

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

7. Calls for reform of the current reporting mechanism (including the questionnaire) as a matter of priority, ***taking into account*** the upcoming deadlines for the third reporting period (2014-2017);

Amendment

7. Calls for reform of the current reporting mechanism (including the questionnaire) as a matter of priority, ***in time for*** the upcoming deadlines for the third reporting period (2014-2017), ***so as to allow a proper assessment of the implementation of the Directive in practice based on the third reporting period and thereafter; calls on the Commission to ensure that the questionnaire no longer allows for different interpretations, requires Member States to report on extractive waste facilities and requires that only up-to-date information is submitted;***

Or. en

Amendment 23

Kateřina Konečná, Merja Kyllönen

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 7

Motion for a resolution

7. Calls for reform of the current reporting mechanism (including the questionnaire) as a matter of priority, taking into account the upcoming deadlines

Amendment

7. Calls for reform of the current reporting mechanism (including the questionnaire) as a matter of priority, taking into account the upcoming deadlines

for the third reporting period (2014-2017);

for the third reporting period (2014-2017);
requests the Commission to include into the reporting mechanism a demand to provide all the relevant environmental impact data;

Or. en

Amendment 24
György Hölvényi

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 7 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

7 a. Suggests that the questionnaire under Annex III of Commission Decision 2009/358/EC needs to be improved by obliging Member States to report exhaustive and reliable data on extractive waste facilities hosted on their territories; the chosen reform approach should allow for a European database of extractive waste facilities to be established and easily up-dated, which would be instrumental for the full picture of practical implementation of the Directive to be outlined, monitored and assessed at EU level; in addition, other approaches could be given consideration - e.g. an exemplary completed national report under Article 18(1) of the Directive could be used as a model to be followed;

Or. en

Amendment 25
Davor Škrlec

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

8. ***Takes note*** that the Commission has published only one implementation

8. ***Regrets*** that the Commission has published only one implementation report

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report covering both the first and second reporting periods (2008-2011 and 2011-2014), thus leaving the public without information on an economic activity with significant environmental, health and social implications;

covering both the first and second reporting periods (2008-2011 and 2011-2014), *instead of one every three years as required pursuant to Article 18(1) of the Directive*, thus leaving the public *for many years* without information on *the (lack of) implementation of this Directive and hereby de facto delaying further action to ensure full implementation of this Directive, even though this Directive deals with* an economic activity with significant environmental, health and social implications; *calls on the Commission to strictly respect the three-year intervals for reporting;*

Or. en

Amendment 26
Zoltán Balczó

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 8

Motion for a resolution

8. *Takes note* that the Commission has published only one implementation report covering both the first and second reporting periods (2008-2011 and 2011-2014), thus leaving the public without information on an economic activity with significant environmental, health and social implications;

Amendment

(-8) *Expresses its regret* that the Commission has published only one implementation report covering both the first and second reporting periods (2008-2011 and 2011-2014), thus leaving the public without information on an economic activity with significant environmental, health and social implications;

Or. hu

Amendment 27
Zoltán Balczó

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 9

Motion for a resolution

9. Acknowledges that the majority of Member States have adopted the measures

Amendment

(-9) Acknowledges that the majority of Member States have adopted the measures

required to implement the provisions set out in the Directive; *notes*, however, that differences between Member States' interpretations show that further effort is needed to ensure that all Member States understand and apply the basic concepts of the directive in a similar way, thus ensuring a level playing field across the EU;

required to implement the provisions set out in the Directive; *calls attention to the fact*, however, that differences between Member States' interpretations show that further effort is needed to ensure that all Member States understand and apply the basic concepts of the directive in a similar way, thus ensuring a level playing field across the EU;

Or. hu

Amendment 28
Mark Demesmaeker

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Welcomes the Commission's plans to issue general guidance on the implementation of the provisions set out in the Directive, which would allow for improvements in both compliance with and enforcement of the Directive;

Amendment

10. Welcomes the Commission's plans to issue general guidance on the implementation of the provisions set out in the Directive, which would allow for improvements in both compliance with and enforcement of the Directive; *points out to the large variation in interpretation and misunderstandings as regards basic provisions of the Directive (for example, whether Member States host facilities covered by the Directive or not);*

Or. en

Amendment 29
Kateřina Konečná, Merja Kyllönen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 10

Motion for a resolution

10. Welcomes the Commission's plans to issue general guidance on the implementation of the provisions set out in the Directive, which would allow for improvements in both compliance with and

Amendment

10. Welcomes the Commission's plans to issue general guidance on the implementation of the provisions set out in the Directive, which would allow for improvements in both compliance with and

enforcement of the Directive;

enforcement of the Directive, ***including the whole life cycle of a mining waste facility from permitting to rehabilitation and post-closure monitoring;***

Or. en

Amendment 30

Kateřina Konečná, Merja Kyllönen

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. Is especially concerned about the incompleteness of the process regarding the due classification and permitting of Category A facilities, which involve higher risks, and warns that external emergency plans are missing for around 25 % of the Category A facilities located on EU territory; calls, therefore, on the Member States to finalise the adequate classification of facilities on their territories;

Amendment

11. Is especially concerned about the incompleteness of the process regarding the due classification and permitting of Category A facilities, which involve higher risks, and warns that external emergency plans are missing for around 25 % of the Category A facilities located on EU territory; calls, therefore, on the Member States to ***immediately*** finalise the adequate classification of facilities on their territories ***and submit the data to the Commission;***

Or. en

Amendment 31

Davor Škrlec

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 11

Motion for a resolution

11. Is especially concerned about the incompleteness of the process regarding the due classification and permitting of Category A facilities, which involve higher risks, and warns that external emergency plans are missing for around 25 % of the Category A facilities located on EU territory; calls, therefore, on the Member States to finalise the adequate classification

Amendment

11. Is especially concerned about the incompleteness of the process regarding the due classification and permitting of Category A facilities, which involve higher risks, and warns that external emergency plans are missing for around 25 % of the Category A facilities located on EU territory; calls, therefore, on the Member States to finalise the adequate classification

of facilities on their territories;

of facilities on their territories ***and to adopt the missing external emergency plans no later than by the end of 2017;***

Or. en

Amendment 32

Nicola Caputo, Claudiu Ciprian Tănăsescu, Nessa Childers, Simona Bonafè, Elena Gentile, Pavel Poc, Massimo Paolucci

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 11 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

11 a. Is concerned that, based on the national reports submitted under Article 18(1) of the Directive, a significant number of EU Member States appear not to have correctly identified the facilities falling under the scope of the Directive, in particular as regards facilities that should be classified as falling under Category A;

Or. en

Amendment 33

Kateřina Konečná, Merja Kyllönen

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 11 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

11 a. Highlights the importance of gaining information of the condition of the current tailings ponds; calls on the Member States to improve the dam safety, in order to protect human health and the environment especially in the Category A facilities;

Or. en

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Kateřina Konečná, Merja Kyllönen

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. Stresses the importance of already involving the local communities concerned in the planning phase of extractive waste management projects using hazardous substances, and of guaranteeing transparency and the real involvement of citizens throughout the authorisation procedure;

Amendment

12. Stresses the importance of already involving the local communities concerned in the planning phase of extractive waste management projects using hazardous substances, and of guaranteeing transparency and the real involvement of citizens throughout the authorisation procedure; ***calls on the Commission to provide good practice database for better involvement of the local communities;***

Or. en

Amendment 35

Mark Demesmaeker

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. Stresses the importance of already involving the local communities concerned in the planning phase of extractive waste management projects using hazardous substances, and of guaranteeing transparency and the real involvement of citizens throughout the authorisation procedure;

Amendment

12. Stresses the importance of already involving the local communities concerned in the planning phase of extractive waste management projects using hazardous substances, and of guaranteeing transparency and the real involvement of citizens throughout the authorisation procedure; ***reiterates the importance of the Espoo and Aarhus Conventions in this respect;***

Or. en

Amendment 36

Nicola Caputo, Claudiu Ciprian Tănăsescu, Nessa Childers, Simona Bonafè, Pavel Poc, Massimo Paolucci

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 12

Motion for a resolution

12. Stresses the importance of already involving the local communities concerned in the planning phase of extractive waste management projects using hazardous substances, and of guaranteeing transparency and the real involvement of citizens throughout the authorisation procedure;

Amendment

12. Stresses the importance of already involving the local communities concerned in the planning phase of extractive waste management projects using hazardous substances, and of guaranteeing transparency and the real involvement of citizens throughout the authorisation procedure ***and when updating a granted permit or permit conditions;***

Or. en

Amendment 37

Piernicola Pedicini, Eleonora Evi

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 12 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

12 a. Deplores the current practice that allows the extractive industry to buy portions of land in the close proximity to extraction points so to favour the illicit disposal of their mining waste in the cheapest possible way without any official control which results in a deadly impact on groundwater, the environment, as well as animal and human health; asks therefore the Commission to investigate the use of non authorised disposal sites and to monitor Member States policies in repressing this kind of behaviours;

Or. en

Amendment 38

Piernicola Pedicini, Eleonora Evi

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 12 b (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

12b. Calls on the Commission to propose more effective measures to protect the environment and citizens' health since some Member States have proven unable so far to prevent soil and water pollution by some operators;

Or. it

Amendment 39
Piernicola Pedicini, Eleonora Evi

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

13. Takes note of the unnecessary administrative burden on authorities and operators as regards the management of inert waste and unpolluted soil, and calls on the Commission and Member States to avoid the duplication of authorisation processes, taking into account the sector's characteristics and the safety and environment implications;

deleted

Or. it

Amendment 40
Kateřina Konečná, Merja Kyllönen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 13

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

13. Takes note of the unnecessary administrative burden on authorities and operators as regards the management of inert waste and unpolluted soil, and calls on the Commission and Member States to avoid the duplication of authorisation processes, taking into account the sector's characteristics and the safety and environment implications;

13. Takes note of the unnecessary administrative burden on authorities and operators as regards the management of inert waste and unpolluted soil, and calls on the Commission and Member States to avoid the duplication of authorisation processes, taking into account the sector's characteristics and the **health**, safety and environment implications;

Amendment 41
György Hölvényi

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 14 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

14 a. Notes that existing EU legislation fails to properly address the financial implications of industrial disasters; urges the Commission to further elaborate the concept of an EU-wide industrial disaster risk sharing facility to be financed by an insurance premium harmonised at EU level in order to provide immediate and effective financial help in case of industrial disasters;

Or. en

Amendment 42
Davor Škrlec

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

15. Draws attention to its resolution of 5 May 2010 on a complete ban on cyanide mining in the EU, especially in light of the weak implementation status concerning the authorisation of Category A facilities, and reiterates its call on the Commission to propose a complete ban on the use of cyanide mining technologies in the European Union as soon as possible;

15. Draws attention to its resolution of 5 May 2010 on a complete ban on cyanide mining in the EU, especially in light of the weak implementation status concerning the authorisation of Category A facilities, and reiterates its call on the Commission to propose a complete ban on the use of cyanide mining technologies in the European Union as soon as possible, ***especially in light of the availability of non-toxic alternatives such as for example cyclodextrin*** ^{1a} ;

^{1a} *Liu et al. (2013) "Selective isolation of gold facilitated by second-sphere*

Amendment 43

Kateřina Konečná, Merja Kyllönen

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 15

Motion for a resolution

15. Draws attention to its resolution of 5 May 2010 on a complete ban on cyanide mining in the EU, especially in light of the weak implementation status concerning the authorisation of Category A facilities, and reiterates its call on the Commission to propose a complete ban on the use of cyanide mining technologies in the European Union as soon as possible;

Amendment

15. Draws attention to its resolution of 5 May 2010 on a complete ban on cyanide mining in the EU, especially in light of the weak implementation status concerning the authorisation of Category A facilities, and reiterates its call on the Commission to propose a complete ban on the use of cyanide mining technologies in the European Union as soon as possible; ***requests the Member States to ensure immediately the best possible management of the cyanide tailings ponds;***

Amendment 44

Kateřina Konečná, Merja Kyllönen

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 16

Motion for a resolution

16. Urges businesses and the relevant competent authorities to consider available advanced technologies during the process of permitting extractive waste facilities, especially as regards the design of tailing dams;

Amendment

16. Urges businesses and the relevant competent authorities to consider available advanced technologies during the process of permitting extractive waste facilities, especially as regards the design of tailing dams ***keeping in mind the highest environmental standards; calls on the Member States to collect and analyse the data provided for the permit procedure and compare it to the actual***

environmental impacts of an operating mining waste facility and where needed, to make the necessary correction to the permit requirements;

Or. en

Amendment 45

Kateřina Konečná, Merja Kyllönen

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 16 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

16 a. *Calls on the Commission to ensure sufficient financing for the research and innovation in the field of management of the mining waste facilities in order to improve the safety of the facilities;*

Or. en

Amendment 46

Nicola Caputo, Claudiu Ciprian Tănăsescu, Nessa Childers, Simona Bonafè, Elena Gentile, Pavel Poc, Massimo Paolucci

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 17

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

17. Calls on the Commission to use the opportunity of the ongoing Best Available Techniques Reference Document (BREF) review in the context of the 'circular economy' concept, to give priority to higher environmental standards and resource efficiency when defining best practices *on* mining waste;

17. Calls on the Commission to use the opportunity of the ongoing Best Available Techniques Reference Document (BREF) review in the context of the 'circular economy' concept, to give priority to higher environmental standards and resource efficiency when defining best practices *to be included in the* mining waste *management plans*;

Or. en

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Mark Demesmaeker

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 17 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

17 a. Calls on the Commission to encourage the recovery of critical raw materials also from mining waste as defined in the EU Action Plan for the Circular Economy;

Or. en

Amendment 48

Kateřina Konečná, Merja Kyllönen

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18. Takes note of the trend in mining to turn to lower-grade and deeper resources in Europe, which results in the extraction of more material in order to produce the target metal; is very concerned about the process efficiency of chemical processing, as a lower ore/host-rock ratio means that more tailings, and thus mining waste, will be produced per tonne of target metal;

18. Takes note of the trend in mining to turn to lower-grade and deeper resources in Europe, which results in the extraction of more material in order to produce the target metal; **requests the Member States to utilise waste rock in the best possible way to replace virgin rock material where possible**; is very concerned about the process efficiency of chemical processing, as a lower ore/host-rock ratio means that more tailings, and thus mining waste, will be produced per tonne of target metal;

Or. en

Amendment 49

Zoltán Balczó

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18. **Takes note of** the trend in mining to

18. **Regrets** the trend in mining to turn

turn to lower-grade and deeper resources in Europe, which results in the extraction of more material in order to produce the target metal; is very concerned about the process efficiency of chemical processing, as a lower ore/host-rock ratio means that more tailings, and thus mining waste, will be produced per tonne of target metal;

to lower-grade and deeper resources in Europe, which results in the extraction of more material in order to produce the target metal; is very concerned about the process efficiency of chemical processing, as a lower ore/host-rock ratio means that more tailings, and thus mining waste, will be produced per tonne of target metal;

Or. hu

Amendment 50
Mark Demesmaeker

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 18 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

18 a. Emphasises that in view of the EU's transition towards a circular economy, reducing the use of resources and fostering reuse and recycling are key; calls on the Commission to consider setting targets to this end, based on a life-cycle assessment;

Or. en

Amendment 51
Mark Demesmaeker

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 19 a (new)

Motion for a resolution

Amendment

19 a. Calls on the Commission and the competent authorities in the Member States to further invest in research and development in alternative viable processes to supply the EU with raw and secondary raw materials and to prevent waste from mining activities;

Or. en

Amendment 52
Piernicola Pedicini, Eleonora Evi

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20

Motion for a resolution

20. Emphasises that the historical heritage of abandoned mining waste facilities could, in the medium or short term, potentially pose a serious threat to human health or the environment; calls on the Commission to come up with an action plan on the full rehabilitation of these sites, taking into account the possible advantages of the ‘circular economy’ concept if applied to the management of waste from extractive industries;

Amendment

20. Emphasises that the historical heritage of abandoned mining waste facilities could, in the medium or short term, potentially pose a serious threat to human health or the environment; calls on the Commission to ***clarify in the most transparent way all the derogations from the Directive provided to Member States, and the gaps that remain in relation to historical waste sites and their remediation, and to*** come up with an action plan on the full rehabilitation of these sites, taking into account the possible advantages of the ‘circular economy’ concept if applied to the management of waste from extractive industries;

Or. en

Amendment 53
Mark Demesmaeker

Motion for a resolution
Paragraph 20

Motion for a resolution

20. Emphasises that the historical heritage of abandoned mining waste facilities could, in the medium or short term, potentially pose a serious threat to human health or the environment; calls on the Commission to come up with an action plan on the full rehabilitation of these sites, taking into account the possible advantages of the ‘circular economy’ concept if applied to the management of waste from extractive industries;

Amendment

20. Emphasises that the historical heritage of abandoned mining waste facilities could, in the medium or short term, potentially pose a serious threat to human health or the environment; calls on the Commission ***together with the Member States*** to come up with an action plan on the full rehabilitation of these sites, taking into account the possible advantages of the ‘circular economy’ concept if applied to the management of waste from extractive industries ***and taking into account best***

practices as for example C-Mine in Genk (Flanders);

Or. en

Amendment 54

Kateřina Konečná, Merja Kyllönen

Motion for a resolution

Paragraph 20

Motion for a resolution

20. Emphasises that the historical heritage of abandoned mining waste facilities could, in the medium or short term, potentially pose a serious threat to human health or the environment; calls on the Commission to come up with an action plan on the full rehabilitation of these sites, taking into account the possible advantages of the 'circular economy' concept if applied to the management of waste from extractive industries;

Amendment

20. Emphasises that the historical heritage of abandoned mining waste facilities could, in the medium or short term, potentially pose a serious threat to human health or the environment; calls on the Commission to come up with an action plan on the full rehabilitation of these sites, taking into account the possible advantages of the 'circular economy' concept if applied to the management of waste from extractive industries; ***stresses that post-closure monitoring programs are essential part of any mining waste facility;***

Or. en