

**Question for written answer P-003862/2018
to the Commission**

Rule 130

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Subject: Tuscan geothermal power plants - Answer to question P-003021/2018

Regarding the answer to question P-003021/2018, we did not ask the Commission whether it knows of the geothermal power plant projects concerned, nor did we ask what it thinks about them.

We pointed out to the Commission that, under an agreement between Enel and the Tuscan Regional Government, the 'environmental compensation' for the construction of new geothermal power plants is determined outside of the environmental impact assessments (EIA and VINCA). We therefore wish to repeat our question whether an EIA and a VINCA can be considered valid when the environmental compensation measures for the plants to which they relate have been laid down by a separate procedure, especially since, moreover – and we would stress this fact – the compensation is not mentioned in either case, neither in the EIA nor in the VINCA. If the EIA and the VINCA are not valid, what will the Commission do?

In the answer to question P-003021/2018 the Commission stated that the forms of compensation specified in the agreement between Enel and the regional authorities 'do not appear to be' compensation measures under Article 6(4) of Directive 92/43/EEC.

Can it say whether or not 'do not appear to be' means the same thing as 'are not'?