

WRITTEN QUESTION E-0164/00

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to the Commission

Subject: Competition transition costs (CTC) in Spain

Without prejudice to the outcome of the assessment of the Spanish electricity sector entrusted to an independent expert by the Commission, will the Commission say how it determined which costs not able to be covered during the transition to competition derive directly from the regulatory framework adopted by Spain in the past? Has the Commission checked whether compensation has been paid to cover these costs in the past? Does it not find it unacceptable that consumers (whether eligible or not) should have to meet costs for CTC which in no way correspond to the definition of such costs?