

WRITTEN QUESTION E-2212/01
by The Lord Inglewood (PPE-DE)
to the Commission

Subject: Dangerous substance in bathing water

Why does Council Directive 76/160/EEC¹ concerning the quality of bathing water provide no mandatory requirements with regard to substances such as dissolved oxygen, floating materials, ammonia, kjeldahl nitrogen, pesticides, heavy metals, cyanides, nitrates and phosphates, unless those substances are believed to be present as a result of a pollution incident?

¹ OJ L 31 of 5.2.1976, p. 1.