

WRITTEN QUESTION E-1571/02
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to the Commission

Subject: Questions on the Water Framework Directive

Article 9 of the Water Framework Directive 2000/60/EC¹ deals with the 'recovery of costs for water services'.

Does the Commission regard the use of hydro-electric power as a water service?

If so, how does it view the conflict of objectives between promoting renewable energies, increasing the share of renewable energies and fulfilling the Kyoto obligations, on the one hand, and increasing the cost of hydro-electric power on the other?

¹ OJ L 327, 22.12.2000, p. 1.