WRITTEN QUESTION E-3862/02 by Ioannis Averoff (PPE-DE) to the Commission

Subject: Funding of a hydroelectric plant at Anilio in the Prefecture of Ioannina

Lakmos Energy Ltd. was allocated funding under the second CSF, in particular the Operational Programme for Energy of the Ministry of Development, to construct a small hydroelectric plant at Anilio in the Prefecture of Ioannina. However, work was interrupted when the one-member Court of the First Instance of Ioannina issued a court order, following an appeal lodged by the inhabitants of Anilio and the Municipality of Metsovo, who claim that environmental legislation is being violated. A definitive ruling by the district court of Metsovo is still pending, but the project has already been entered in the third CSF, notably the Operational Programme for Competitiveness.

Will the Commission say by what precise procedure (invitation to tender or other) the project was entered in the second and third CSF, what is its overall budget, how funds have been distributed between the two CSFs and what is the precise percentage of Community, national and private funding for this project?

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