WRITTEN QUESTION E-0633/06 by Albert Maat (PPE-DE) to the Commission

Subject: Excretion standards for implementing the Nitrates Directive

1. Can the European Commission provide details of the different excretion standards for nitrogen and parameters for urea included in the national exemptions plans for implementation of the Nitrates Directive (91/676/EEC¹)?

2. Why does the European Commission accept different excretion standards and what are its grounds for doing so?

¹ PJ L 375, 31.12.1991, p. 1.