

**Question for written answer E-009629/2011
to the Commission**
Rule 117
Bairbre de Brún (GUE/NGL)

Subject: Reclassification of incinerator ash

It has been reported that consideration has been given to the reclassification of incinerator ash, including bottom ash, as hazardous waste.

Can the Commission clarify, with regard to the Waste Framework Directive, the current status of incinerator ash, including bottom ash, and how a decision on this status was reached?

Also, can the Commission also confirm whether discussions on this issue have taken place within the Commission, or between the Commission and the Irish Government, the Environmental Protection Agency in Ireland or any other bodies?