

**Question for written answer E-000812/2022
to the Commission**

Rule 138

Christine Anderson (ID)

Subject: Classification of natural gas as sustainable and the Commission's position on fracking gas

In early February 2022, the Commission presented a delegated act on the EU taxonomy¹ that classifies nuclear energy as well as natural gas as sustainable, enabling relevant technologies and firms to be rated particularly eligible for financial support.

In the interests of consumer protection, can the Commission rule out the possibility that fracking gas, the extraction of which produces a number of adverse side-effects, will be given that certification?

¹ https://ec.europa.eu/info/publications/220202-sustainable-finance-taxonomy-complementary-climate-delegated-act_en