

**Question for written answer E-002748/2022
to the Commission**

Rule 138

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Subject: Market distortion – Energy-related Products Directive

There is credible evidence that the Energy-related Products (ErP) Directive is not being implemented fairly and in a uniform manner across the European Union, and that markets are therefore being distorted.

In particular, goods sold online are not held to the same rigorous standards as those sold domestically, with many online products being manufactured overseas. China is particularly prominent in this area.

EU-based companies that adhere to ErP requirements face vastly inflated costs compared to those suppliers that take a more 'relaxed' approach to the regulations.

Is the Commission aware of market distortion due to the irregular implementation of the ErP Directive, and if so, what measures are being taken to ensure compliance?