Question for written answer E-001407/2023 to the Commission Rule 138 Johan Nissinen (ECR)

Subject: Council Regulation (EU) 2022/2577

Council Regulation (EU) 2022/2577¹introduces derogations to key provisions of Union environmental law. Furthermore, its application is limited to 18 months with a review of its implementation to be initiated by a Commission report before the end of 2023. In view of the foregoing:

- 1. Can the Commission indicate whether it has issued the guidance, requested by the Republic of Ireland in its statement of 22 December 2022², 'as to how the Regulation interacts with the other EU environmental Directives, in particular the Habitats Directive, to avoid any legal issues arising in the implementation of the measures'?
- 2. If it has not issued such guidance, when does it anticipate doing so, given the urgency of the matter?

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¹ Council Regulation (EU) 2022/2577 of 22 December 2022 laying down a framework to accelerate the deployment of renewable energy (OJ L 335, 29.12.2022, p. 36).

² https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CONSIL:CM_5902_2022_INIT.