

**Question for written answer E-001026/2024
to the Commission**

Rule 138

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Subject: Construction of asbestos landfill in underground aquifer recharge area and compliance with Directive 1999/31/EC

In Villafranca di Verona, a landfill for the disposal of hazardous waste containing asbestos is currently in the authorisation phase. The landfill in question is situated in an underground aquifer recharge area that is surrounded in all directions by storage sites for special and hazardous urban waste.

Given that the state of the environment in Villafranca is already very fragile and the potential impact that the facility could have both in the construction phase and in the operation and after-care management phases, the local municipality considers that building a landfill for the disposal of waste containing asbestos near Caluri and the airport runway poses a serious risk to citizens' health.

In view of this, can the Commission answer the following:

1. Is the positioning of an asbestos landfill in an underground aquifer recharge area in line with Directive 1999/31/EC?
2. Does it not consider that building such a landfill in a town already suffering from environmental damage runs counter to the objectives of the directive with regard to environmental protection and rehabilitation?

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