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to the Commission**

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Subject: Energy efficiency

Parliament's adoption in January 2014 of the public procurement directive (Article 22(4) of which is particularly relevant) and Director-General Dominique Rostori's statements concerning energy efficiency in the construction sector made at the meeting of the Committee on Industry, Research and Energy held on 17 March 2014 demonstrate the importance attached to promoting energy efficiency in buildings as part of the EU's energy strategy.

Looking ahead to the adoption of its communication on sustainable buildings, scheduled for the end of March 2014:

1. Does the Commission intend to outline the major role that technologies, such as building information modelling tools, could play in Europe's strategy for promoting energy-efficient buildings?
2. In the forthcoming communication, will the Commission review best practices in the Member States, with a view to fostering the use of such technologies and describing exactly how they can make public buildings more cost- and energy-efficient?