

**Question for written answer P-000360/2019
to the Commission**
Rule 130
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Subject: Energy production capacity

The Commission has stated in the Hinkley Point case ‘that the equivalent of the power that should be supplied by Hinkley Point C [3 gigawatts] corresponds to 14 gigawatts of onshore wind or 11 gigawatts of offshore wind energy capacity, and considered that it would be unrealistic to expect that capacity to be provided in the same time frame.’¹.

1. How did the Commission come to the conclusion that 14 gigawatts of onshore wind energy capacity or 11 gigawatts of offshore wind energy capacity could generate the same amount of electricity as 3 gigawatts of nuclear energy capacity?
2. On the basis of these data, does the Commission consider that wind energy is an ‘effective’ measure within the meaning of Article 3 (2) of Directive 2009/28/EC on renewables?

¹ Judgment of the General Court of 12 July 2018, Austria v Commission, T-356/15, EU: T: 2018: 439, paragraph 405