

**Priority question for written answer P-003693/2021
to the Commission**

Rule 138

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Subject: Investment in Pori by the company Bioenergo

Bioenergo has been planning the construction of a bioconversion plant in Pori. The raw material used at the plant would be sawdust and pine bark as by-products of sawmill operations. The investment is valued at more than EUR 150 million. According to a statement from Bioenergo, the EU regards sawmill by-products as forestry products, while it is the company's view that they are the by-products of wood production. The sawdust would not be burned for energy but used to produce bioethanol. It is a question of determining what products can be used to manufacture products deemed to be environmentally friendly.

Does the Commission intend to amend its proposal to ensure that a major investment in the Pori area, worth EUR 150 million, can go ahead?