

**Priority question for written answer P-000922/2024
to the Commission**

Rule 138

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Subject: Ecodesign requirements for electrical switchgear

The revised Fluorinated Gases Regulation, ratified by the Council on 29 January 2024, considers global warming potentials and life cycle CO₂ emissions of electrical switchgear as relevant criteria for both their introduction to the market and implementation.

Yet, utilities, grid operators and Member States' competent authorities dealing with SF₆-free solutions are still uncertain about the applicability of the 'relevant ecodesign requirements' under Directive 2009/125/EC.

Such clarification is key to ensuring technology-neutral tender procedures and, subsequently, the security of supply in the sector.

1. Can the Commission clarify how it intends to implement Article 13(13) of the revised Fluorinated Gases Regulation?
2. Will product-specific legislation under the new Ecodesign for Sustainable Products Regulation include electrical switchgear, and what is the time frame for the publication of a relevant act?
3. Does the ecodesign working plan consider electrical switchgear as one of its new product priorities in the light of the relevant provisions?

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