

**Question for written answer E-003586/2025
to the Commission**
Rule 144
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Subject: Lack of a representative database on actual SFLSH emissions

In its proposal for a revision of the Ecodesign Regulations for Solid Fuel Local Space Heaters (SFLSH), the Commission refers to data on particulate matter (PM) emissions, mainly from scientific literature published before 2020 and sources that do not refer to appliances that comply with current ecodesign requirements. The planned revision could lead to the withdrawal from use of hundreds of thousands of efficient wood and biomass heating appliances, which serve a vital backup role during periods when the energy grid is overloaded. The new technical requirements may eliminate more affordable heat sources used by lower-income households, especially in Poland and other Central and Eastern European countries. The proposal does not leave any room for flexibility for Member States with different housing structures, climates and heating infrastructure.

1. Does the Commission have representative field studies confirming that modern appliances certified in accordance with the current ecodesign standards emit particulate matter in quantities that justify tightening the rules?
2. If so, can the Commission indicate the data sources (studies) and measurement methodology it relied on when drafting the proposed changes?
3. If not, is the Commission considering suspending work on the project until such data can be obtained?

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