

**Question for written answer E-000888/2026
to the Commission**
Rule 144
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Subject: Implementation timeline for the digital battery passport under Regulation (EU) 2023/1542

Regulation (EU) 2023/1542 on batteries and waste batteries provides for the introduction of a digital product passport (DPP) for batteries, which is to become mandatory for operators as of 18 February 2027 under Article 77 of the regulation.

Ahead of the DPP's entry into force, several essential enabling elements need to be adopted. Concretely, CEN/CENELEC needs to adopt harmonised standards, the Commission needs to establish a DPP registry by July 2026, while the rules governing service providers facilitating the DPP's implementation as well as the determination of parties that will have access to the DPP are only expected in the fourth quarter of 2026.

Considering the above:

1. Does the Commission confirm that the current timeline for adopting harmonised standards, establishing the DPP registry, and adopting rules for service providers and for determining which parties can access the DPP is still achievable?
2. Does the Commission consider the current application date of 18 February 2027 feasible for industry to comply?

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