

**Question for written answer E-003160/2026/rev.1
to the Commission**
Rule 144
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Subject: PFAS in Veneto – denial of access to environmental data and food safety at risk

In 2021, the Veneto Regional Administrative Court found in favour of Greenpeace and the Mamme No PFAS association, accepting their appeals against the Region of Veneto's refusal to hand over complete data on analyses of PFAS in food.¹

More recently, journalist Marco Milioni reported that, rather than provide full documentation, the region only partially responded to his request for access to documents concerning PFAS in the areas around the Pedemontana Veneta motorway.

What is more, many requests for access to documents have been made by regional councillors, including me, which have never been answered.

These incidents point to a systematic failure to provide access to information of clear public interest, and they have been taking place while the EU framework has been updated to incorporate the European Food Safety Authority (EFSA) opinion from 2020, which set a new tolerable weekly intake of 4.4 ng per kilo of body weight². Regulation (EU) 2022/2388 also introduced maximum limits for those substances in a number of foods of animal origin, including eggs, meat, fish, crustaceans and molluscs.

In view of the above:

1. Given this systematic denial of access to data, does the Commission intend to look into whether Directive 2003/4/EC on access to environmental information has been breached?
2. Does it consider it appropriate for food safety assessments to be based on data or thresholds predating the 2020 EFSA opinion?

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¹ <https://www.ilfattoquotidiano.it/2026/07/08/pfas-pedemontana-veneta-accesso-atti-notizie/8442237>.

² For PFOS, PFOA, PFNA and PFHxS altogether.