

**Priority question for written answer P-001351/2026
to the Commission**
Rule 144
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Subject: Accelerating the PFAS restriction proposal

On 26 March 2026, the European Chemicals Agency (ECHA) and the Socio-Economic Assessment Committee (SEAC) finalised their scientific advisory work and published their findings, suggesting that there is a public health emergency and confirming that a broad per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) ban is necessary, as no safe level of emissions exists.

In the light of this:

1. Does the Commission agree that the conclusions of the ECHA and the SEAC are clear, confirming the need for a PFAS ban, allowing only very limited essential-use exemptions and that such a proposal should be presented without delay?
2. A study commissioned by the Commission's Directorate-General for Environment estimates that the current PFAS pollution costs amount to approximately EUR 440 billion for the EU. Does the Commission agree that any delay in a legislative proposal will impose avoidable costs on the EU's economy and society?
3. Is the Commission willing and able to reduce the delay resulting from the formal public consultation and impact assessments?

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