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**Question for written answer E-002963/25
to the Commission
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Subject: Profits

In September 2022, speaking in the European Parliament, Commission President von der Leyen announced a legislative proposal against high energy prices, which would affect renewable electricity producers as well as oil and gas companies. She said that the proposal would 'raise more than 140 billion euros for Member States to cushion the blow directly' and the money would benefit 'those who need it most'.

Can the Commission say how many billions of so-called 'excessive profits' have been raised for the Member States to date, broken down by Member State?

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**Answer given by Mr Hoekstra on behalf of the European Commission
(8 September 2025)**

Based on the Commission's proposal, the Council adopted Regulation (EU) No 2022/1854 of 6 October 2022 on an emergency intervention to address high energy prices.

The above Regulation contained measures, such as the cap on market revenues from inframarginal electricity generators and the temporary solidarity contribution for companies active in the field of the extraction, mining, refining of petroleum or manufacture of coke oven products, aimed to generate revenues for Member States to finance support measures for the consumers of energy.

The Commission issued a report on the review of emergency interventions to address high energy prices ⁽¹⁾, including on the income or expectation of income from the inframarginal revenue cap, based on information provided by the Member States.

Member States submitted their reports within a few months after the entering into force of the inframarginal revenue cap, and by that time most of them still did not have information about the revenues collected through the measure. Revenues were originally expected to exceed EUR 50 billion in total.

However, those assumptions already seemed unlikely to materialise by the time of the reporting since these estimates were based on expected high wholesale electricity prices.

As regards the temporary solidarity contribution, the estimated total proceeds for the fiscal years 2022 and 2023 amount to more than EUR 28.6 billion.

This figure exceeds the original Commission estimates of EUR 25 billion upon the adoption of the proposal. The data on collected and estimated proceeds per Member State are available in the Commission's Report to the Council on implementation of Chapter III of the above Regulation ⁽²⁾.

⁽¹⁾ <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=celex:52023DC0302#footnote20>.

⁽²⁾ Report on Chapter III of Council Regulation (EU) No 2022/1854 of 6 October 2022 on an emergency intervention to address high energy prices Solidarity contribution and enacted equivalent measures: stocktaking (14.5.2025, COM(2025) 237 final).