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Delays in the transposition of the Energy Performance of Buildings Directive (EPBD)¹ have been discussed with Member States in various exchanges² throughout the transposition period.

The EPBD infringement cases were launched following a standard Commission procedure, based on the self-declaration of the Member States on the status of their transposition³.

The Commission has provided extensive support to Member States in view of a pragmatic and effective transposition of the Directive since its adoption⁴ and will continue to do so through close cooperation and dialogue with the aim to successfully resolve any transposition gaps. This will subsequently allow for the closure of such infringement cases. However, as such cases are on-going, information is confidential and cannot be made public.

Full, correct and timely transposition and implementation of the EU energy acquis by all Member States is essential to achieve the Union's 2030 energy and climate targets and to deliver on the key policy objectives of competitiveness, security of energy supply, affordability, decarbonisation and a just energy transition for all. According to Article 28 of the EPBD, the Commission will evaluate and review the directive by the end of 2028.

¹ <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/eli/dir/2024/1275/oj/eng>.

² For example, in the Energy Performance of Buildings Committee, its associated Expert Group and in various bilateral meetings with Member States.

³ This includes both cases of non-communication, where the Member State has not communicated any transposition measures, and those which had not declared complete transposition.

⁴ For example, to support and simplify the effective and practical implementation of the Directive, the Commission provided a Notice providing guidance on new or substantially modified provisions in the recast EPBD. The guidance was prepared in close cooperation with Member States, addresses questions and comments from Member States and stakeholders and often outlines different possible paths for implementation, means of simplification and how the flexibility in the text could be used so Member States can better adapt it to their needs. In addition, the Commission provided Member States with an explanatory document template, to support them in the drafting and preparation of their explanatory documents, which have to accompany the notification of national measures transposing the recast EPBD.