

**Question for written answer E-002042/2019
to the Commission**

Rule 130

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Subject: Roccasecca landfill (Frosinone)

The 'MAD', a company that manages the landfill for non-hazardous waste in Cerreto, Roccasecca (Frosinone), has obtained authorisation for an upward extension project, whereby waste will be stored at a higher level, forming a genuine 'rubbish hill' at the confluence of the Liri and Melfa rivers.

Roccasecca, a site of historical and natural importance and a predominantly agricultural area, has a population of around 7 000 which, for years, has been suffering greatly due to the extent and hazardous nature of the fumes released by the waste.

The management of the waste cycle, based on the enlargement of existing landfills, runs counter to the European circular economy objectives and infringes the legitimate right of the citizens of Roccasecca and neighbouring municipalities to health and a healthy environment.

That being the case, can the Commission answer the following questions:

- 1) Were the EIA procedure for the extension, the land development authorisations and the SEA procedure concerning waste cycle requirements carried out in full compliance with EU legislation?
- 2) Can it verify the status of the groundwater quality monitoring by the authorities responsible?
- 3) In accordance with the 'polluter pays' principle and with Directive 2004/35/EC, to what extent can the landfill operator and the Lazio Region be held accountable for this situation?