

Energy policy: energy performance of the buildings of the Union, energy saves and efficiency

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The European Parliament adopted a resolution, drafted by Alejo VIDAL-QUADRAS ROCA (EPP-ED, Spain), making some amendments to the Council's common position. (Please refer to the document dated 11/09/02.) A new recital states that billing to building occupants the costs of heating, air-conditioning and hot water, calculated in proportion to actual consumption, could contribute towards energy savings in the residential sector. Occupants of such buildings should be enabled to regulate their own consumption of heat and hot water, insofar as such measures are cost effective. Parliament also defined the energy performance of a building as being based on the amount of energy actually consumed or estimated to meet the different needs associated with a standardised use of the building.