SAVE II, energy efficiency: multiannual programme 1998-2202

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PURPOSE : as part of the framework programme for energy 1998-2002, to adopt a specific mulitannual prgramme for the promotion of the energy efficiency (SAVE). COMMUNITY MEASURE : Decision 647 /2000/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council adopting a multiannual programme for the promotion of energy efficency (SAVE) (1998-2002). CONTENT : this Decision shall continue the SAVE programme, which has the following general objectives: - to stimulate energy efficiency measures in all sectors; - to encourage investment in energy conservation by private and public consumers and by industry; - to create conditions for improving the energy intensity of final consumption in the Union. As regards the financial framework for implementation of the SAVE programme is set at EUR 66 million. The SAVE programme shall consist of 6 types of actions and measures: 1) studies and measures designed to implement and supplement Community schemes for improving energy efficieny (such as voluntary agreements, development of standards, cooperative procurements and legislation); 2) targeted sectoral pilot schemes aimed at speeding up investment in energy efficiency and/or improving energy use patterns; 3) measures proposed by the Commission to encourage dissemination of information (exchanges of experience and know-how); 4) measures to encourage the dissemination of information proposed by entities other than the Commission (e.g. universities, public and private organisations and energy agencies); 5) monitoring energy efficiency progress in the Community and in each Member State, and ongoing evaluation and monitoring of the schemes and measures carried ou under the programme; 6) specific measures to improve energy management at regional and urban level with the aim of achieving greater cohesion between Member States and regions in the field of energy efficiency. The SAVE programme shall be open to participation by associated central and eastern European countries in accordance with the conditions including financial provisions, laid down in the additional protocols to the Association Agreements, or in the Association Agreements themselves, relating to participation in Community programmes. This programme shall also be open to participation by Cyprus on the basis of additional appropriations, under the same rules as those applied to the EFTA/EEA countries. ENTRY INTO FORCE : 19.03.2000.