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On Ecodesign regulations for residential solid fuel heating
On January 28 Two Thousand Twenty Six
Was it answered or was it lost in the mist?
Residential wood and coal burning
causes Sixty Two Percent of EU emissions
of fine particulate matter. The European
Environmental Energy Association,
Says reducing air pollution to World Health Organization
guideline levels could have prevented
One Hundred Eighty Two Thousand deaths
attributable to exposure to fine particulate matter

PM Two point Five in Two Thousand Twenty Three.
Current Ecodesign regulations allow stoves to emit over
One Hundred times more particle pollution
than diesel trucks. Current Ecodesign regulations
have less strict emissions requirements than the requirements
of the transport sector, despite residential burning
being the EU's largest source of particulate matter.
Precipitators and catalytic conversion can reduce emissions
by over Ninety Percent but are not mandatory. Will the Commission
mandate the best available technologies, such as precipitators and
catalytic conversion, in revised Ecodesign regulations
to achieve emissions reductions comparable to vehicle standards?

Current regulations lack limits for black carbon or ultrafine particles,
although up to Fifty Five Percent of stove particle emissions
are black carbon with a warming potential that is Three Thousand
Two Hundred times higher than that of CO2 over Twenty years.
Will the Commission establish mandatory limit values
for black carbon and particle number in revised Ecodesign regulations?
Testing conditions exclude critical phases like ignition,
do not measure condensed particles and ignore indoor pollution
from stove leakage, creating gaps between laboratory and actual emissions.
Will revised regulations include comprehensive real-world testing,
covering all burning cycles, condensed particles and stove tightness,
and recurring on-site compliance controls?

An English reader noticed this on the internet.
She wondered how the submission went. And how does the UK compare?
This U S reader thinks that certification of wood stoves is an evasion
Beloved by wood stove manufacturers and their lobbyists
We already have scientific reasons not to allow burning hobbyists.
Do not certify wood stoves as safe, only track air pollution
To its source which in residential settings will probably be a wood stove
Treat indoor residential burning as the hazard that it is. Don't shove

Regulations that do not match human reality into approval of wood stoves
Treat predictable air pollution as a hazard to be avoided. Show love.
Tell everyone “Do not burn wood to begin with”. Connect to a clean grid
With a Heat Pump. Make the European Union or the UK subsidize it.