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I strongly support a fair price for solar. This means that the feed-in tariff should increase in line with the wholesale price of electricity.

The feed-in tariff should not just be a benchmark range, it should be regulated so retailers have to offer it as a minimum.

The feed-in tariff should represent the true value of solar, which means recognising the environmental and health benefits and the network benefits of rooftop solar.

As an early adopter of solar power, I spent over \$60,000 on 32 solar panels. This purchase, along with many others, has helped the electricity industry cope in times of peak demand such as last summer in NSW. If I purchased a similar system now it would cost me around one quarter of what I previously had to outlay. It is unfair that the return on that investment should be around 6 cents per kWh while I need to purchase power back at around 30 or 40 cents per kWh.

In other words, the power companies are making excess profits.

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