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The recent IPART proposal to make the feed-in tariff a more just 11.6-14.6c/KwH makes a great deal of sense. Not only would those contributing electricity to the grid get a fairer and more reasonable price but greater numbers of potential solar panel purchasers would be motivated to act, thus increasing the amount of clean power to the system. If the current 6c or so per KwH is maintained, greater numbers will install batteries as well, thereby reducing the amount of power available to the retailers.

Across the planet, people realise that a strong solar sector is vital to controlling the rate of CO2 emissions. Coal is on its way out and its continued exploitation must be resisted if the quality of life of future generations is to be assured. The influence of dirty technology vested interests must be challenged and a realistic approach to future energy needs followed.

I've had panels up for three years. I'm in a cold part of the state and my annual electricity costs were \$260 to begin with. They are now \$400 despite my consumption/production remaining the same. I put three times as much into the grid as I take out. Logically, I shouldn't be up for any bill at all.

My concerns, then, are for the future welfare of the planet and the fair pricing of domestically generated electricity.

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