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Submission: "To IPART and NSW government, as solar users, we support a fair price for solar feed-in to the grid. We have seen this price erode since we installed our panels. It is not fair to punish solar owners who are helping to bring electricity prices down. Last year more than half the NSW retailers failed to offer a FiT within the benchmark range. This needs to be mandated and regulated, so retailers offer at least a minimum.

The FiT should represent the true environmental, health and network values of rooftop solar.

We have had solar panels since 2012 and have yet to recoup the outlay we paid for the panels, as the FiT has gradually been reduced, mainly because the big power companies have refused to pay a FiT which reflects the true nature of solar. The many, many NSW citizens who have installed rooftop solar need to be rewarded adequately for their commitment to the environment and the electricity supply. Most rooftop solar installations produce far more power than are needed by the average household, and this power fed into the grid needs to be paid for appropriately, not reduced."