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I support a fair price for solar;

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. This means recognising the environmental and health benefits and the network benefits of rooftop solar.

I personally have invested in 26 solar panels on both my properties because I believe that understanding the situation with increased carbon dioxide in our fragile planet's atmosphere and the threats it poses to other human beings should be sufficient to prompt every person to act. Frankly the feed-in tariff was not a major factor in my decision, but I certainly believe my initiative has been exploited by power suppliers unfairly. I believe that government should do everything in its power to encourage all its citizens to invest in independent means of generating electricity in ways harmless to humanity. A fair price for generated power is one key way to do that.

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