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The Government wanted people to put solar on their roofs some years back, so to get less dependent on the grid, therefore avoiding blackouts and overloads etc. In order to encourage many people to get off the grid, why can't they pass a law so the Energy Company pay back the same rate for using electricity from the grid (27 cents Kw) pay the same rate back to solar put back into the grid. The only way to avoid that is to have installed a battery to collect what one generate during the day, store and use during the night, the cost of battery is still way too high for people and or pensioners like me to afford. There is such a gross inequality now, they pay back only 7 cents per Kw send back to the grid, a total imbalance, day light robbery, pay 27 cents, get only 7 back, a mass difference pocketed by Energy Company, a total ripoff. I support a fair price for solar, but it must not be only if the Energy Company wants to pass on to solar collectors but a law forcing then to. Last quarter I sent 520 Kw to the grid, got back a credit of \$36.40, if I were to import from the grid I would have to pay \$140.40 a massive \$104 where is the equality? Solar collectors are being taken advantage of, we need better reward for our investment.

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