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Submission: "The proposal to cut the solar feed-in-tariff benchmark is not in the interest of the people of NSW. This proposal will discourage further investment in solar.

Why would you choose to discourage a source of electricity when we are being told that we will have an energy crisis if Liddell Power station is closed in 2022.

Also solar power is most productive at times when there is a huge demand for electricity, namely when it is hot. This is when the fossil fuel powered sources of electricity are demanding the highest prices. For example , on 9/4/2018 the wholesale price for electricity was 25 cents a kwh in the mid-afternoon because this was a day of record heat before the change arrived.

It is clear that retailers in electricity are going to be forced to pay more for electricity. So by discouraging solar IPART & the NSW government will actually be increasing the price of electricity.

Rather than reduce the Tariff benchmark , it would make more sense for IPART to mandate a FIT price for solar."