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We have gone to the trouble and considerable expense of installing solar panels to generate electricity in a sustainable way however we are simply paying to generate excessive profits for electricity suppliers and also subsidising the cost of electricity paid by customers who have not paid for solar panels. We deserve a fair and decent return on our investment rather than being treated as a cash cow for the electricity supply industry. Currently we receive a paltry amount for our electricity returned to the grid and we have no say in what we are paid The tariff should be fair and in line with the wholesale price. The price should be regulated in a similar way to what we all pay for supply and should represent the true value of solar including the environmental investment we have chosen to make and the overall benefits of solar energy. This is currently not the case and the current system is grossly unfair to those of us paying to generate electricity for others.

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