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I would like to indicate my support for an increase to the NSW solar feed-in tariff, so that it might provide a fair price to rooftop solar owners providing energy to the electricity grid.

Given that major electricity companies on-sell this energy to consumers at significantly higher rates, I believe the current value of around 5-7 cents per kWh is grossly unfair.

I find it ridiculous that in some instances the same retail companies are allowed to charge additional premiums (such as a Green Power levy) for consumers to purchase this green form of electricity, yet pay their suppliers no more for it.

I believe the feed-in tariff should also recognise the environmental and health benefits of rooftop solar, as well as the contribution it makes towards government carbon emission reduction targets.

I believe the proposed increase in feed-in tariff is an important step towards a fair solar price and, as such, should be mandated so that retailers must offer it as a minimum.

Thank you very much.

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