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Those with photo-voltaics on their roofs often install them as a way of contributing to the reduction of the damaging environmental effects caused by burning fossil fuels which are used to produce our electricity. Individually our contribution may not be very large but when added to other contributors of 'free' electricity to the grid, those contributions can add up to a large amount which can delay or prevent the bringing on to line pollution causing 'back up' units. Previously we have been rewarded for this with a reasonable FIT. Now the rate of the FIT since January this year has no relevance to the benefit we provide to our nation in terms of lower pollution and the smoothing of the peaks in generated demand.

What we are asking is that IPART recommend a FIT rate which better matched to the contribution we are making. This is now even more relevant considering the impact that an increase in electricity rates threatened in June, will have on consumers.

Thank you for considering my request

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