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Feed in tariffs should reflect the price of electricity - wholesale and also the price paid by consumers. Even the proposed doubling of feed in tariffs is a poor recompense for the cost outlaid to install solar and associated other infrastructure. Energy retailers are relying on the feed ins and they pay the minimal amount with zero consideration of the feed in consumer and user. The feed in tariff must be regulated and adjusted regularly so that the consumers feeding onto the grid receive fair and reasonable compensation for the power generated and fed into the grid. This is certainly not the current situation, since January 01 2017. In other states like Victoria the feed in tariffs are 66cents per kWh. If they can maintain this reasonable return why can't that happen in NSW? Feed in tariffs MUST be reasonable and reflect the costs many have outlaid to install solar. Federal government encourages solar installations but the NSW government totally discourages it. A further example is the heat pump subsidies in Victoria which cover the cost of installation & supply fully yet NSW only receive the \$1000 from the Federal Government.

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