

SUBMISSION TO IPART REVIEW
SOLAR FEED-IN TARIFFS 2017/18

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Dear IPART,

I would like to submit that the solar power feed-in tariff should increase to a level similar to the retail kWh price of electricity charged by retailers, and should increase with the wholesale price of electricity.

The feed-in tariff should not just be a benchmark range, it should be regulated so retailers have to offer it as a minimum, allowing retailers to differentiate themselves by offering higher feed-in tariffs.

The feed-in tariff should represent the true value of solar, this means recognising the environmental and health benefits and the network benefits of rooftop solar.

We currently receive 10c/kWh feed-in tariff from Click Energy, which is on par with the price of off-peak power charged, but we feed excess electricity to the grid when costs are about 27c/kWh. This disparity, along with high fixed costs, is ensuring we, and many others, are considering disconnecting from the grid. However, it would be far better for everyone if we had a better electricity distribution network with distributed generation and storage.

Thanks you,
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