

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

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Please make changes to ensure:

- That you support a fair price for solar;
- The feed-in tariff should increase in line 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;
- 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; and
- When the feed in tariff dropped from 60c to 6c, the exact same week, retailers increased their costs per kilowatt hours. The increase to electricity costs over the last few years has seen our calculations with regards to paying off our system, did not occur. We spent approx \$30,000 installing this system and calculate that this would be paid off before the 60c feed in tariff finished. But as the electricity companies seem to do what they want, without considering its impact on their users, we have not paid for this system now. In hindsight, I probably should not have spent \$30,000 as I don't believe it was worth it.

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