

Minimum feed-in tariff review 2020-21

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On 3 December 2019, we published our draft decision for the Minimum feed-in tariff review 2020-21. This draft decision paper asks stakeholders for their views on our proposed minimum feed-in tariff for 2020-21.

1. What do you think of the proposed minimum feed-in tariff for 2020-21?

Poor decision for Victorians who have purchased Solar.

Significant reduction in feed in tariff is unfair and does not represent a fair return on our solar panels.

Every KWh exported in my suburb reduces the amount of power required to be delivered from hundreds of kilometres away with the 30% line losses. My excess power is being on-sold for a huge profit - 9.7 price for me - my neighbour buying my power for 25 to 44 c/kwh. Seems unfair as rooftop solar is reducing (or should be reducing) generation of daytime coal power.

I am being charged between 25 and 44 c/kwh (depending on discount) for this long distance power. While only receiving 9.7c/kwh of my production down from 10.7.

The decision seems to be designed to increase the wholesale and retail profit at the expense of Victorian ratepayers. All seems very politically based - even though the reports produced are unreadable and contain no useful info for a normal person on the street.

I have not found the paragraph detailing the Vic Standard Offer with actual cents for each kW and per day service charge - only the estimated cost if I use 4000kwh.

This feed in reduction increases my system break-even time.

The decisions to increase VDO while decreasing feed-in seems designed to hurt Victorians.

Why isn't the government placing any emphasis on providing local battery storage to hold generated solar for periods of high demand.

An afterthought - are large scale solar farm operators also taking the 10% cut in returns??