Solar feed in tariff

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To whom it may concern

We need to move to renewable as quickly as possible for the sake of the earth it's our only home. The conservative govn't's attempt to stifle solar is unbelievably short sighted. A fair arrangement would be one for one @ rates prevailing @ the time. This will permit the whole community to benefit from local excess solar generation in high peak demands during hot summer months. A 5c feed in tariff will make many to consider to go off grid with up and coming mass battery storage......Grid defections. The danger is rural users who have space to put 10kw or more of solar panels will be the first to defect thus putting on the rural grid network @ risk. As time goes on new technologies like solar panels that will have 45% inefficiencies which would give double the electricity output for the same real estate more people will be in a position to defect. Effectively the writing is on the wall go with the flow or expect uncertain times.

In my case I have done the sums 10 kw worth of panels with battery storage and wind generator of 2kw will require a back up generator about 10 days per yearthe grid connection fee would easily pay for the fuel!

I do know that PowerCor would love to ditch the Otway Rangers grid network because of high infrastructure costs.....is the govn't prepared to mange unprofitable rural grids again?

The best way to head off this scenario is to have a sensible feed in tariff otherwise expect massive electricity market turmoil which the govn't will need to step in to maintain essential services.

regards swing voter