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Solar feed in tariff.

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To the Chairperson.

Having invested in roof top solar 18 months ago, I am disappointed that the feed in tariff continues to decline.

I don't expect be paid more for the energy I feed into the grid, than I pay for what I draw from the grid. I acknowledge the investment power companies have in the system and their need to produce a fair return on their investments.

I too believe that I am entitled to a fair return for my investment.

It's not fair that retailers are able to buy cheap, exported solar from one house and sell it to a neighbour at an inflated price.

I installed my solar power system because of concern about global warming and the environmental disaster that is already impacting on the life of so many people around the globe. I did not install the system to provide cheap electricity to providers who are responsible for much of the worlds green house emissions.

My solar system creates no carbon pollution, no particulate pollution and does not create other environmental and other health problems such as those associated with the mining, transportation or burning of fossil fuels.

If the tariff stays at the current rate or decreases further I will give serious consideration to the installation of battery storage and disconnection from the grid.

I urge the members of this enquiry to recommend an increase to the feed in tariff.