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**INQUIRY INTO ELECTRICITY SUPPLY, DEMAND AND
PRICES IN NEW SOUTH WALES**

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I am writing to express my view that solar feed-in tariff needs to be fair and compulsory.

Having installed solar roof panels only two years ago, we pay over 27c/kwh, which is three to four times the feed-in tariff we receive of 6-9c/kwh. At this rate it will take 10-20 years for us to recoup our investment.

It is clear that energy retailers will not voluntarily pay a fair amount for the electricity we contribute to the grid. It is therefore critical NSW legislates for a minimum feed in tariff that is fair.

The feed-in tariff should represent the true value of solar, which means recognising the environmental and health benefits and the network benefits of rooftop solar. Our solar set-up generates approximately half of the electricity we consume, which represents an annual saving of 1 tonne of CO2 each year that is not polluting our environment.