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

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Ethics has always been an ephemeral quality in the world of commerce, which is why companies need strong checks and balances to keep them honest. At the moment there's a distinct lack of honesty in the big institutions which is why they are increasingly in the spotlight over their modus operandii, the increasing number of corporate scandals are testament to that. Expecting them to do the right thing by their customers is naive in the extreme without regulation. I therefore ask that they finally be required to give an equitable price for the significant amount of energy which is supplied to them by the public through rooftop solar, as current agreements are ad-hoc and pitifully insubstantial. Genuine attempts to redress this injustice could reap big rewards from voters who are on the cusp of ditching the traditional energy suppliers in favour of off-grid systems. The longer this injustice continues, the bigger the impact will be on suppliers when their customers finally have the ability to desert them.