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

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I seek a fair price for the excess solar power I generate that is pushed back into the grid. I support a legislated fair price for excess solar power generated. Retailers will happily pass on 10 or so cents per kilowatt hour knowing that this is less that the off-peak amount they charge per kilowatt hour. At peak time of use, retailers are still making a healthy profit on something that they are not supplying. This is not fair and just. This is a legislated minimum feed in tariff should exist.

My solar system is large enough to support a family. However, there is only one person in the (family sized) home. My system therefore exports the bulk of the electricity it generates. Yet, my energy costs are still high because I use electricity typically in peak cost periods and the solar tariff offset contributes very little to reduce my costs. WRONG!

I am now looking at battery storage options because I support solar and renewables electricity generation.