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SOLAR FEED IN TARIFF PREMIUM DRAFT DETERMINATION

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Dear Sir or Madam

I think the commission in conjunction with the SA Government should consider the following comments and amendments:

The SA Governments Feed in Tariff was originally set up to help householders to pay for and install Solar panels to offset the rising cost of electricity,

This has been highly successful,

However many people took unfair advantage of the scheme and installed Solar panels way in excess of their requirements to pay their electricity bills,

Panels were installed on sheds, haystacks , Garages etc.,

The idea was to not only provide relief for electricity bills but also provide these people with an income stream

This was NOT the intention of the Government or the assistance package,

Therefore many thousands of dollars is being wasted from the scheme,

Furthermore persons who initially could not afford to install a large quantity of panels are now penalized if they install more panels as the feed in tariff disappears,

It would be far more equitable if the monetary value of the feed in electricity was scrapped in favor of "electricity credits"

These "credits" could be "time limited" to perhaps 2 years,

Therefore if a person supplies excess electricity to the Grid this is credited and will offset future bills perhaps in the winter time when no feed in is available (no sunshine)

If more "credit is accumulated than is used within a 2 year period then this is "lost"

This scheme should be applied to All persons without discrimination of when the systems was purchased,

I believe this would be more equitable to all SA residents and would provide the electricity suppliers with bonus electricity and the Government would probable benefit also.

Regards

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