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Dear Sir/Madam,

I want to make a submission into the Inquiry into the true Value of Distributed Generation to Victorian consumers.

Solar Owners should be paid a fair price for the energy they create. A fair feed-in tariff for solar power would be the amount it costs to buy that energy from an electricity company - at fair unit price.

There are many reasons to support distributed generation (like roof top solar).

To name just a few:

Rooftop solar is here to stay. We need to update our regulatory system to deal with this reality.

Power companies can buy a household's excess solar energy for 5c and sell it to their neighbours for 25c. That's just not fair.

Thanks to the Coalition anti-renewable stance and Labor's inaction, we are not moving from coal to clean energy quickly enough.

climate change is threatening our health, and ~~the~~ the environment. Solar is reducing emissions by increasing clean energy production.

Our current regulations do not look after the interests of Victorians - instead, they protect the private profits of big power companies.

We do not need another drawn-out review, when there are Victorians facing an 80% cut to their feed-in tariff at the end of this year. We need a fair price for solar and a modern, efficient grid that supports distributed generation.

I strongly urge the Essential Services Commission (ESC) to immediately recommend to the Andrews Labor Government to set a fair price for solar at 1.1 cent before further cuts to the feed-in tariff take effect at the end of 2016.

yours sincerely

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