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Solar Feed In Tariffs

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Dear sir/madam,

I am outraged at the miserly feed in tariff that is paid for solar generated electricity. As the major power companies have not invested in solar power themselves - why would they when they can get paid for doing nothing - there should be an opportunity in the market for competition to be brought to bear upon them. This is especially so when you consider the large amounts of pollution that these companies create which is a threat to our very existence on this planet. Solar power on the other hand is remarkably clean - only some emissions during the panel manufacture - and hence should be encouraged by government. Further, the solar generated power can be sold to next door neighbours at a huge markup which is not fair.

Additionally, there have been power price increases lately which have been largely blamed on a gold plating of the electricity network. The need for such actions would be reduced if householders took up solar power and is another reason why government should be supporting it.

I am especially enraged by the prospect of the price of the export of battery stored solar power being different to that of ordinary solar power. This is completely unjustified and an additional slap in the face.

I am sure that you don't want me to itemise the far reaching costs associated with fossil fuel power. Those costs have been outlined ad nauseam by the media. Clean energy now!