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The minimum feed-in rate of 5c/kWh is far too low to reflect the savings to the retailer (especially during times of peak demand, e.g. during a heat wave).

The costs that networks charge for solar power should be minimised as rooftop solar puts less strain on the grid due to its decentralised structure. Indeed, solar power helps reduce the costs of the grid by averting the need to build more expensive poles and wires and minimising loss of electricity.

By decentralising power generation, rooftop solar will make Victoria less reliant on a few power stations like Hazelwood.

Please raise the minimum feed-in rate to encourage the increased adoption of rooftop solar power.