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**Solar feed in tariffs are too low**

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With climate change accelerating and the Federal Government doing nothing Victoria should be leading the way with a high solar feed-in-tariff to encourage solar power usage.

- The solar feed-in-tariff should be as high or higher than the charge for dirty brown coal power.
- Home and business owners should be able to expand previous systems without losing the old tariff rate on the pre-existing panels.
- Solar power helps supply power in peak times and takes the load off of poles and wires.
- All power consumers benefit from having lower carbon emissions and less climate change so it is reasonable for non-solar customers to pay the small extra cost of a decent FIT.
- Competition with solar will keep power prices lower.
- Storage of solar in batteries should also be encouraged.