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Subject: FiT review

Hi,
Please find my submission for the FiT review below,

1.I believe that if the Tasmanian Government is serious about Tasmania becoming the battery of the nation, there will need to be decent incentive to encourage installation of rooftop solar. The current Transitional FiT rate 28.283 c/kWh should continue and be available to all producers. The current FiT of only 8.541 c/kWh is unreasonable given that the cost to buy is more than 3 times this amount.

2.The changes would have a positive impact and encourage industry to Tasmania and also allow Tasmanian's to have available to them,the lowest regulated prices in the nation. An increase in producers of energy will also allow our Hydro schemes to be better managed and instead of a potential energy crisis, as we experienced recently, allow surplus water storage for potential use for sale to mainland customers.

3.As per the previous paragraph, rooftop solar installations would have a considerable positive impact on Tasmanian's energy security.

4. The flow on effect of being able to offer lower power prices will not only reward Tasmanians but invite and encourage business and industry to set up in our clean green state.

5. The incentives to attract more roof top solar should be self funded ie. If the FiT is a reasonable rate of around 28c/kWh the producer will be rewarded for their outlay and ongoing producer energy costs should also be minimised. Surplus energy produced during daytime hours can reduce water storage usage which then enables that stored energy to be potentially sold to mainland customers at a rate that would reap benefits.

6.I beleive the best incentive is to establish a fair and reasonable FiT ongoing for the future. The current regulated FiT is completely unreasonable considering the cost to purchase energy is more than 3 times that of the FiT.

7. There is always potential to improve efficiencies by using smart metering, batteries etc.and although everyone recognizes that without battery storage for producers that energy exported is transferred into the grid in daylight hours only, this daytime peak has the potential to reduce daytime water storage consumption. As a result, Hydro dam levels effectively become the battery storage for producers.

8. Opportunities are equal throughout the community for all energy users to make choices based on their circumstances. Whether it's a choice based on economic or environmental reasoning the FiT needs to be fair and reasonable.

9.To achieve the 100% self sufficiency goal, rooftop solar needs to be considered as a serious addition to complement the fantastic green Hydro scheme. Tasmanian's should be proud of their infrastructure and be rewarded with the lowest regulated prices in the nation. I beleive the current service fees are reasonable and required to maintain the existing infrastructure, however the current Regulated FiT is grossly inadequate.