Minimum feed-in tariff 2024-25

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From November 2023, we began accepting submissions on our Minimum feed-in tariff review 2024-25 via Engage Victoria (www.engage.vic.gov.au). On this website, people were given the opportunity to send us a response to a set of questions we provided.

What parts of our proposed methodology for setting the flat and time-varying minimum feed-in tariffs do you support?

What parts of our proposed methodology should we change?

The flat feed in tariff values the solar weighted average wholesale electricity price at 0.7 c/kWh. This is much lower than the LCOE of a utility scale solar farm, which are actively supported by the Victorian Government, for example via the VRET1 and VRET2 programs. Government policy is to increase the supply of renewable energy into the electricity market to support the energy transition.

Recommendation is to value the LCOE similarly to the value that would be sufficient to support development of utility scale solar facilities to further encourage the uptake of residential solar to meet Government policy targets.

For our overall methodology, or parts of it, what alternative methodologies should we consider?