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Media Release

New regional Queensland feed-in tariff shows urgent need for fair price for solar

The Australian Solar Council - the peak body for Australia's residential, commercial and large-scale solar industry - has slammed today's decision by the Queensland Competition Authority (QCA) to slash the feed-in tariff for solar families in regional Queensland.

The Chief Executive of the Australian Solar Council, said:

"The Queensland Competition Authority is a relic of the dark past of the Campbell Newman era. The decision today is old thinking on the value of solar.

"The price cut punishes solar families outside of southeast Queensland and fattens the profits of the big power companies and the fossil fuels industry.

"The Palaszczuk Government promised Queensland families a fair price for solar. The Australian Solar Council supports that commitment.

"The Queensland Government must move quickly with its inquiry into a fair price for solar and ensure a swift conclusion to get a fair export price for all Queensland families.

"The Australian Solar Council draws attention to the announcement by the Newman Government appointed QCA Chairman, Malcolm Roberts, that he will soon resign from the QCA to become the oil and gas industry's chief lobbyist. Mr Roberts has left a legacy of QCA determinations that nobble the solar industry."

The QCA decision can be found here.



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