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To whom it may Concern.

I would have liked to attend this Forum but due to other commitments I am unable to attend.

I live in a Retirement a Village. The Village has solar panels which are connected to an inverter then to an Old Power Meter , which is connected to a Smart Meter owned by the Village owners.

On a hot day, the Village units with greater than 4 solar panels connected get a small power respite from their power bills as the old meters run backwards whilst the temperature is high and the sun is out. Each account in the Village is then calculated on a monthly basis where your last reading from last month is taken away from the reading at the end of the present month and that is how many units of electricity a household has used. The Owner then charges the occupier of each Unit for those electrical units at the Synergy Rate of 0.30812 cents per unit of electricity.

However the power that is produces goes back through the Owners Smart Meter and is sent to a Power Sub-Station and directed into the power grid. The Owner has a Deal with Synergy where-by he only pays about 0.013 or 0.014 cents a unit that the solar panels have created. He pockets the difference. The Solar panels were fitted to each unit in 2010 via a Federal Government Grant to the Owner who then on sold the Solar Panels to each occupier.

I believe that everyone is entitled to make money on transactions but to GOUGE because you can is a bit much. A fairer tariff on the Village occupants would be in my belief around 0.019 or 0.020 Cents a Unit. The owner is still making money and the villagers are not being as I say , "ripped off".

Forwarded for your information and that of the Forums.

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