



## The WA Feed-In-Tariff (FiT)

### **What it is:**

Synergy clients with Solar PV Systems connected to the grid will receive 40c/kWh for net energy exported to the grid. This is in addition to the 7c/kWh paid under the REBS scheme.

### **What do you mean “net”?**

The payment is for net energy returned to the grid, in other words the amount of excess energy produced (and not used) by your household in a 30 minute block.

### **How will the FiT be paid?**

The tariff will be paid as a credit on customers' electricity bill. At customers' request, this can be paid into a bank account via EFT or sent out as a cheque.

### **How much could a system owner expect to save?**

For a typical household, including offset consumption Synergy estimates a 1.5kW system could save a home owner \$700 per year off their electricity bill.

### **When does the tariff start?**

August 1<sup>st</sup> 2010

### **Why have a FiT?**

The FiT is to encourage home owners in WA to switch part of their energy consumption requirements from environmentally destructive non-renewable sources to environmentally friendly renewable sources.

### **Does the FiT apply to commercial properties?**

Not at this stage





**What are the terms and conditions?**

FiT is for approved systems up to 5kW connected to the grid with the appropriate meter. This is only applicable where a home and Solar PV System belong to one owner. Credits can be applied to tenants' electricity bill, but are not paid when a tenant installs a system independent of the home owner.

**How long will the program run for?**

10 Years

**How is the program funded?**

Initially from Government funds, potentially from a surcharge on non-renewable energy consumption in the future.

**Is the system limited to Solar?**

No, the scheme does apply to wind and micro-hydro technologies as well, however the exact details of the scheme differs for these clients which are more likely to be Horizon customers than Synergy.

**Do Synergy customers need to take any action to benefit from this scheme?**

Synergy will communicate this information to its customers. New installation details will be provided by Synergy when a new system is connected to the grid.

Do contact Synergy on 13 13 53 for more information.

