

# New feed-in tariff arrangements: how they affect prospective and pending applicants

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## How it will work

The Tasmanian Government is putting in place new feed-in tariff (FIT) arrangements which will affect small customers using less than 150MWh of electricity per year who have applied, or who intend to apply, to install a solar PV or other micro renewable generation system up to 10kW in capacity.

The Government will introduce legislation so that when Aurora exits the market all customers will have access to a guaranteed feed-in tariff.

For existing customers, the Government will ensure they will continue to receive their current feed-in tariff rate until 1 January 2019, subject to ongoing eligibility. This will be known as the 'legacy' feed-in tariff. It will provide price certainty for an additional five years following the move to full retail competition on 1 January 2014.

## What customers need to do

Customers who have already submitted an application for embedded generation, or who have applied to upgrade an existing system up to 10kW, with Aurora's network business will be processed under the rules that were in place prior to the Government's announcement on 18 August 2013. Customers who have not yet submitted an application for a new connection or an installation upgrade

will have until midnight (AEST) on 30 August 2013 to ensure that Aurora has received their signed and completed application form, and that this has been completed to Aurora's satisfaction. To be eligible to be included under the legacy feed-in tariff rules, customers who have not yet submitted their application must include a copy of a signed contract with an installer and provide evidence of a deposit paid to the installer. The system must then be installed and connected before 30 August 2014 to maintain eligibility for the legacy tariff.

If approved, eligibility for the legacy feed-in tariff cannot be transferred to another family member (except to a spouse). Eligibility also ceases if the customer moves house, is disconnected for non-payment of their account, for breach of contract, if the account is closed, or if they upgrade the capacity of the system, even if that is still less than 10kW, after 30 August 2013. The legacy period for all customers closes on 1 January 2019, irrespective of the connection date of the customer's system. The application form for embedded generation can be found on Aurora Energy's website: [www.auroraenergy.com.au](http://www.auroraenergy.com.au).

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