Dear Sir/Madam,

I am hereby sending you a document which might be of interest in your ongoing debate on the potential adoption of a feed-in tariff scheme in Australia.

I hereby attaching the document that we published early this year at EPIA.

"This report gives an overview over different support schemes and their characteristics. It shows that a feed-in tariff support scheme clearly has proven to be the most effective support to rapidly develop photovoltaic markets. Throughout the report, the reader will find detailed information and arguments, which should be taken up in order to spread the feed-in tariff to more and more countries."

In summary, the core elements of a feed-in tariff are:

- An efficient tool that has already proved to be successful
- A temporary mechanism
- Not a burden on taxpayers
- The driver for further cost reductions and economies of scale
- Ensures high quality PV systems and good performance
- Creates secure conditions for potential investors

I hope this contribution will be useful to enrich your debate with adapted arguments. The document can also be downloaded on the following link: <u>http://www.epia.org/fileadmin/EPIA\_docs/publications/epia/An\_Argument\_for\_Feed-in\_Tariffs.pdf</u>

Best regards, Marie Latour Deputy Communication Manager European Photovoltaic Industry Association