



10 May 2012

Our Ref: 06-012-03-0016

Hon Brian Ellis MLC
Chair
Standing Committee on Environment and Public Affairs
Parliament House
PERTH WA 6000

Dear Mr Ellis

Petition No 125: Restoration of the Electricity Net Feed-in Tariff

I refer to your correspondence dated 22 March and firstly, sincerely apologise for the delay in responding to your request for information, which is due in part to staff on leave.

In answer to your queries:

1. No research has been undertaken into Local Government activities which either hinder or facilitate the uptake of renewable energy generation of electricity, either small or large in scale.
2. The Association has not received any feedback from our members.
3. We are unaware of any audits of local laws or local planning schemes conducted on the installation and operation of different forms of renewable energy generation.
4. None of the suite of Local Laws impact renewable energy.

While WALGA is unable to provide the Standing Committee with any information on the position of Local Governments in WA, we would be very interested in receiving a copy of the Committee's findings on the Petition.

If you have any further enquiries please contact Tony Brown, Executive Manager Governance and Strategy on telephone 9213 2051.

Yours sincerely


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