Dear Energy Minister Angus Taylor,

Congratulations on your recent appointment as Minister for Energy in the Morrison Government.

Upon your appointment, the Prime Minister remarked that you were to be, 'minister for getting energy prices down'.

Like you, we want to see power prices come down.

Australians love solar because they have firsthand experience of how much it saves.

Rooftop solar can save around \$1,600 per year for a household that typically pays around \$1,000 a quarter.

What's more, solar drives down the wholesale electricity price. In the year from 1 May 2016 to 30 April 2017, the wholesale electricity price in NSW would have been a whopping 33-50% higher if households and businesses with rooftop solar pv systems (up to 100kW) were not generating clean sun-power. This has saved all energy consumers between \$2.2 and \$3.3 billion!

We ask you, as Energy Minister, to stand up for solar – it is the surest way to bring down energy prices.

Most urgently, we ask you to immediately rule out abolishing the Small-scale Renewable Energy Scheme (SRES) as proposed by the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (ACCC).

The SRES has helped millions of Australian households and businesses slash their energy bills with solar. Abolishing the Small-scale Renewable Energy Scheme will just make it harder for everyone else who wants to be a part of the rooftop revolution.

We need programs to make it easier for more households and businesses to go solar rather than recommendations like this one which will make it harder.

Minister, we call on you to rule out abolishing the SRES immediately.

Kind Regards,