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Hi,

I'm the director of a small electrical contracting business in Gippsland, Victoria. Up until the adding of the Solar Victoria rebate program we sold a couple systems per annum. I was already paying fees to the CEC as an accredited designer & installer of PV systems & it's gouging by the CEC & Solar Victoria to make it requirement to pay more fees & signed up to the ASR program just to conduct business. I'm all for higher standards, but all this has done has forced quality smaller operators out of the business which is anti competitive & hands the CEC an even bigger monopoly over who can it can't install solar in Australia. CEC has never done anything serious to address the lack of compliance by dodgy sales businesses & sub contractors. Paper trails & bureaucracy don't stop cowboys from making quick bucks & leaving the industry before the problems catch up with them.

It saddens me that although I spent years learning & applying my knowledge & providing first class service to my customers, I'm shut out of this sector by a greedy organisation that's only purpose is to line it's own pockets.

I recommend the ACCC looks long & hard about allowing the CEC to scam more money out of us small businesses.

Regards,

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Sent from my iPhone