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### **RENTERS REAP BENEFITS OF SOLAR REVOLUTION**

Close to a million NSW rental households are a step closer to having rooftop solar to lower their electricity bills thanks to a \$300,000 initiative from the NSW Government.

Sydney solar power company SunTenants is one of 10 project recipients being funded through this initiative. SunTenants will receive \$33,000 to install solar panels on 100 residential and commercial rental properties.

One in six NSW homes have installed rooftop solar with uptake especially high in Western Sydney.

Minister for Energy Don Harwin said the project allows renters across NSW to join the solar revolution, ensuring renters reap the same benefits of solar as homeowners.

“Our Government relies on strong partnerships with the private sector as part of the transition to a cleaner, more affordable and more reliable energy future,” he said.

“These co-funded projects highlight how this transition can create a competitive advantage for businesses and communities.”

“The Clean Energy Knowledge Sharing Initiative provides an opportunity for innovators and early adopters to test and trial new clean energy solutions, with more than 60 projects expressing interest in participating in the program.”

SunTenants founder Dr Bjorn Sturmberg, said, “The system has halved tenants’ bills and is reducing carbon emissions by over 40 tonnes a year,” Dr Sturmberg said.

“We’re delighted to be a part of the NSW Government’s Clean Energy Knowledge Sharing Initiative, which will be a huge boost for us in getting this message out.”

The \$300,000 Clean Energy Knowledge Sharing Initiative will leverage an additional \$680,000 of private sector investment to deliver the successful co-funded pilot projects.

The NSW Government is also helping 4,500 vulnerable households take control of their energy bills by installing roof top solar under our Home Energy Action Program.

The co-funding recipients are: SunTenants, Solar Analytics, COREM, Interface, Goldwind, Liberty OneSteel, CLEAN Cowra, Enova Energy, Reposit Power, and Chrysalis School for Rudolf Steiner Education in Thora in partnership with Enesol.

For information about their projects, visit <https://www.energy.nsw.gov.au/ksiprojects>.

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