

Powerful switch

POWER to the people is more than just a catch-cry to Michael and Isabelle Cahill.

The couple are calling on other Mt Gravatt residents to join them in their bid to help cut electricity usage by installing solar-powered panels through West End-based not-for-profit organisation Local Power.

Mr Cahill said the group aimed to arrange bulk buying and installation of panels that converted solar energy directly into electricity for use in the house.

"We got a price of \$10,000 to install it in December 2006," Mr Cahill said.

"That's a 20-year payback.

"Then the Federal Government increased the rebate and Local Power have now negotiated this deal. It makes it much more in the ball park.

"The condition is that there are 10 installations in each postcode.

"So far 14 from this area have registered interest but only two have put their deposit down."

With government rebates and the bulk price, the cost to homeowners could be under \$2000 for a 1kW array.

"Our electricity load is lower now. With this 1kW system we reckon we should be self-sustainable," Mr Cahill said.



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■ Cheaper alternative . . . a little light cooking for Isabelle Cahill and family, Naomi, Oshin, Etienne and dad Michael.

The system works through an inverter converting the direct current generated by the solar panels into alternating current.

This power goes straight into the grid during the day,

then is withdrawn when needed.

The deadline for registering and paying the deposit is Friday, February 15.

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