



■ New management... Andrea and Fergus Tweedy with Jackie King at Earthsave, Geebung.

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DOING your part for the environment doesn't have to be difficult – it can save you money.

New management has taken over Geebung's Earthsave, specialising in the sale of environmentally friendly technology such as solar hot water systems and evaporative cooling systems.

Owners Andrea and Fergus Tweedy took the reins in March and said solar hot water systems

make economic and environmental sense.

"You can cut up to 90 per cent off your hot water bill," she said. "Hot water is usually a third of people's electricity bill."

She said there were government rebates to help with the cost of changing from a gas or electric hot water system and a solar hot water system in an average family home usually paid for itself after seven years.

"The good thing is they last longer than regular ones," Mrs Tweedy said.

"We've got people with ones that are 20 to 25 years old and still going."

She said poor weather also posed no problem for modern solar tanks.

"They have an element in them, so if it's winter or there have been a couple of cloudy days a thermostat keeps the water at the proper temperature," she said.