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To Whom It May Concern

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Dear Redistribution Committee for Tasmania,

After utilising the AEC mapping software and reviewing the Tasmanian Redistribution Statistics 2008 document I would like to offer the following suggestions for boundary changes to three of the five Tasmanian Federal Electorates (Denison, Franklin, Lyons).

1. Transfer the three Clarence City CCD's presently in the Lyons electorate into the Franklin electorate so that all of Clarence City is situated within the one electorate (1499 electors by 2012).
2. Transfer the seven Kingborough Municipality CCD's presently in the Denison electorate into the Franklin electorate so that all of the Kingborough Municipality is situated within the one electorate (2459 electors by 2012).
3. Transfer all 17 CCD's of the Brighton Municipality presently in the Franklin electorate into the Denison electorate so that these electors are more closely aligned within a community of interest (6330 electors by 2012).

Primary Considerations

The changes proposed will bring all electorates within the numerical requirements (96.5% - 103.5% of the projected 2012 quota of 73007).

The proposal reduces the number of local government areas that overlap different electorates. The 17 Brighton CCD's in Franklin share a greater community of interest with Glenorchy City in the Denison electorate. This is their closest major commercial and educational hub as apposed to Rosy within Clarence City and the Franklin electorate.

Franklin must decrease in electors and Denison increase in order to comply with section 66 of the Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918. It would be very disruptive on both an administrative and community of interest basis to expand Denison southwards into Kingborough. This would result in Kingston being arbitrarily divided into two electorates. The Kingston area within Kingborough is the major commercial hub not only for Kingborough but for all areas further south. There is a strong community of interest rationale for the electors residing in the Huon Municipality and those in Kingborough to remain within the same electorate.

Secondary Considerations

The boundary changes in this proposal are incremental and do not significantly change the geographic size the involved electorates. Nor do the changes clash with significant natural geographic boundaries.

These changes mean that Denison which is the smallest electorate geographically will have the most electors. Lyons geographically the states largest electorate and hardest to traverse will have the least electors. This difference in numbers may be viewed by Lyons electors as reasonable considering the time it would take their M.P to serve various communities within this sprawling electorate.

The following tables show the numerical implications of each of the proposed boundary changes.

Population estimates using 2012 projections (Quota 73007)	DENISON	FRANKLIN	LYONS
If boundaries unchanged in 2012	70621	76481	72814
Transferring all 17 CCD's of the Brighton Municipality presently in the Franklin electorate to the Denison electorate.	+6330	-6330	n/a
Transferring all 7 CCD's of the Kingborough Municipality presently in the Denison electorate to the Franklin electorate	-2459	+2459	n/a
Transferring all 3 CCD's of Clarence City presently in the Lyons electorate to the Franklin electorate.	(n/a)	+1499	-1499
Population estimates using 2012 projections after changes.	74492	74109	71315

	QUOTA	BASS	BRADDON	DENISON	FRANKLIN	LYONS
Electorate projections incorporating proposed 2012 changes	73007	71588	73530	74492	74109	71315

I would be happy to speak further to your committee about these proposed changes if required.

Yours Sincerely

James Walker