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**Redistribution**  
**of Western Australia**  
**into Electoral Divisions**

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Composite maps showing the boundaries of the electoral divisions for Western Australia as determined by the augmented Electoral Commission.

Paper maps  
(2 sheets)

# **PART 1**

## **Redistribution of Western Australia into Electoral Divisions**

**18 December 2008**

*Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918*  
Sections 73 and 74

## **1.1 DETERMINATION MADE BY THE AUGMENTED ELECTORAL COMMISSION FOR WESTERN AUSTRALIA**

Pursuant to section 73 of the *Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918*, the augmented Electoral Commission for Western Australia hereby determines that the names and boundaries of the electoral divisions into which Western Australia is to be distributed are as shown on the maps certified by the members of the augmented Electoral Commission for Western Australia and lodged in file number 08/1149 at the National Office of the Australian Electoral Commission in Canberra. These maps are numbered in the following sequence:

WA01/2008	Brand	WA09/2008	Moore
WA02/2008	Canning	WA10/2008	O'Connor
WA03/2008	Cowan	WA11/2008	Pearce
WA04/2008	Curtin	WA12/2008	Perth
WA05/2008	Durack	WA13/2008	Stirling
WA06/2008	Forrest	WA14/2008	Swan
WA07/2008	Fremantle	WA15/2008	Tangney
WA08/2008	Hasluck		

The augmented Electoral Commission for Western Australia reached this determination on the basis that it determined the names and boundaries of the electoral divisions in Western Australia should be as proposed by the Redistribution Committee for Western Australia in its report published on 1 August 2008, subject to the following changes:

- (i) the boundary between the divisions of Moore and Cowan shall be revised to follow Joondalup Drive in the manner shown on the relevant maps so as to unite the locality of Tapping;
- (ii) the proposed Division of Kalgoorlie shall be named the Division of O'Connor;
- (iii) the proposed Division of O'Connor shall be named the Division of Durack;
- (iv) a minor change shown on the abovementioned map WA10/2008 has been made to the boundary of the Division of O'Connor.

J C S Burchett QC  
Chairperson  
augmented Electoral Commission  
for Western Australia

## **1.2 REASONS FOR THE DETERMINATION MADE BY THE AUGMENTED ELECTORAL COMMISSION FOR WESTERN AUSTRALIA**

### **Representation of Western Australia in the House of Representatives**

1. On 17 November 2005, the Electoral Commissioner made a determination of State and Territory entitlements to representation under section 48(1) of the *Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918* (the Electoral Act). Under the determination, Western Australia is entitled to 15 members of the House of Representatives.

### **Direction for a redistribution of Western Australian electoral divisions**

2. Section 59(1) of the Electoral Act provides that a redistribution shall commence whenever the Australian Electoral Commission (the Electoral Commission) so directs by notice published in the Commonwealth Government Gazette (the Gazette).
3. Section 59(2) of the Electoral Act provides that a direction to commence a redistribution shall be made if a period of seven years after the day on which the State or Territory was last distributed into electoral divisions has expired. Subject to circumstances that did not apply to Western Australia at the relevant time, the direction must be made within 30 days after the expiration of the seven year period.
4. The last distribution of Western Australia into electoral divisions was determined under section 73(1) of the Electoral Act on 20 November 2000. Consequently, on 14 December 2007, the Electoral Commission directed by notice published in the Gazette that a redistribution was to commence in Western Australia.
5. At the end of 14 December 2007, the day determined by the Electoral Commission for the redistribution to begin, the number of electors enrolled in Western Australia was 1 322 878.
6. Redistribution statistics which show the electoral enrolment figures as at 14 December 2007 were made available on the Australian Electoral Commission website. In addition, copies were available upon request at the Perth office of the Australian Electoral Commission. The statistics were given at the following levels:
  - Census Collection District (CCD)
  - Statistical Local Area (SLA)
  - Electoral Division
  - State.

## **Quota**

7. Under section 65(2) of the Electoral Act, the Electoral Commissioner determined that the quota of electors for Western Australia was 88 192 (1 322 878 divided by 15 members). The permitted range of 10% below and above the quota was accordingly 79 373 to 97 011 (Table 1). The Electoral Act does not permit any greater variation from the quota to be provided for in a redistribution.

## **Projected enrolment**

8. In making its determination, the augmented Electoral Commission is required by section 73(4) of the Electoral Act, as far as practicable, to endeavour to ensure that the number of electors enrolled in each electoral division will not, at the projection date of 17 June 2012, be less than 96.5% or more than 103.5% of the average divisional enrolment of the state at that time. The projected average divisional enrolment for Western Australia at 17 June 2012 is 95 871; therefore the specified variation in projected enrolment is 92 516 to 99 226 (Table 1).

## **Appointment of the Redistribution Committee for Western Australia**

9. In accordance with section 60 of the Electoral Act, the Electoral Commission appointed the Redistribution Committee for Western Australia on 9 April 2008. The Redistribution Committee (the Committee) comprised the following members:

Electoral Commissioner	Mr Ian Campbell
Australian Electoral Officer for Western Australia	Mr Colin Nagle
Surveyor General of Western Australia	Mr Grahame Searle
Auditor General for Western Australia	Mr Colin Murphy

## **Redistribution Committee's proposed redistribution**

10. All preconditions having been met, the Committee made a proposed redistribution of Western Australia under section 66 of the Electoral Act, stating its reasons in writing; caused the notice required by section 68(1)(c) of the Electoral Act to be published in the Gazette on 1 August 2008; and took the other steps required by section 68.

## **Objections and comments**

11. A total of 22 objections and 6 comments on objections was received.

## **Augmented Electoral Commission**

12. By section 70(1) of the Electoral Act there is established for the purposes of any such redistribution an augmented Electoral Commission for the relevant State or Territory. By virtue of section 70(2) the members of the augmented Electoral Commission for Western Australia (augmented Commission) are the Chairperson of the Electoral Commission (Hon James Burchett QC); the member of the Electoral Commission other than the Electoral Commissioner and the Chairperson (Mr Brian Pink, Australian Statistician); and the occupants of the positions previously mentioned who (or in the case of the acting Electoral Commissioner, Mr Paul Dacey, and in the case of the acting Surveyor General for Western Australia, Mr Mike Bradford, whose predecessors in office) were members of the Committee.

## **Public inquiry**

13. The augmented Commission held a public inquiry into the objections in Perth and Manjimup on 22 September 2008. Arguments were presented on these occasions by four persons (in Manjimup), and a further two persons (in Perth), and have been carefully considered by the augmented Commission, together with all the objections and comments. For further details, see Appendices.

## **The statutory mandate of the augmented Electoral Commission**

14. By section 73 of the Electoral Act, it is the augmented Electoral Commission for Western Australia which must determine, by notice published in the Gazette, the names and boundaries of the electoral divisions into which Western Australia is to be distributed. But that task must be performed in accordance with the requirements of section 73(4) and (4A), which provide:

*“(4) In making the determination, the augmented Electoral Commission:*

*(a) shall, as far as practicable, endeavour to ensure that the number of electors enrolled in each Electoral Division in the State or Territory will not, at the projection time determined under section 63A, be less than 96.5% or more than 103.5% of the average divisional enrolment of that State or Territory at that time; and*

*(b) subject to paragraph (a), shall give due consideration, in relation to each Electoral Division, to:*

- (i) community of interests within the Electoral Division, including economic, social and regional interests;*
- (ii) means of communication and travel within the Electoral Division;*
- (iv) the physical features and area of the Electoral Division; and*
- (v) the boundaries of existing Divisions in the State or Territory;*

and subject thereto the quota of electors for the State or Territory shall be the basis for the redistribution, and the augmented Electoral Commission may adopt a margin of allowance, to be used whenever necessary, but in no case shall the quota be departed from to a greater extent than one-tenth more or one-tenth less.

(4A) When applying subsection (4), the augmented Electoral Commission must treat the matter in subparagraph (4)(b)(v) as subordinate to the matters in subparagraphs (4)(b)(i), (ii) and (iv)."

15. These statutory requirements are expressed in an hierarchical order which puts, "as far as practicable", the "endeavour to ensure" a division will fall within the projected enrolment range first; the considerations of "community of interests within [a division] including economic, social and regional interests", "means of communication and travel within [a division]", and "the physical features and area of [a division]" second; and "the boundaries of existing divisions" third – while stating that, subject to these matters, "the quota of electors for the State ... shall be the basis for the redistribution" and that "the augmented Electoral Commission may adopt a margin of allowance" not departing from the quota further than by one-tenth more or less.
16. The purpose of paragraph 4(a) is suggested by its history, over the period of which it has undergone some transformation since the *Commonwealth Electoral Legislation Amendment Act 1983* stipulated that boundaries were to be drawn, as far as practicable, to achieve equal numbers of electors in each of a State's electorates three-and-a-half years after a redistribution. By 1984 "it was observed that the three-and-a-half year rule had in some areas forced the adoption, on purely numerical grounds, of boundaries which took little account of perceived community of interest"<sup>1</sup>. Therefore, in 1987, the rule was relaxed, in order to permit a measure of tolerance, to plus or minus two percent from average projected enrolment. Subsequently, the Joint Standing Committee on Electoral Matters (JSCEM) concluded that "the numerical criteria do not allow 'due consideration', in the words of the Act, to be given to the qualitative factors. Rather, the political parties and others attempting to frame electoral boundaries essentially find themselves engaged in a mathematical modelling exercise. In order to relax the enrolment requirements to that extent necessary to allow a realistic degree of flexibility the Committee recommends ... that subsections 66(3)(a) and 73(4)(a) of the Electoral Act be amended, so as to extend the variation from average divisional enrolment allowed three-and-half years after a redistribution from two to 3.5 percent."<sup>2</sup> The JSCEM also, in the same report, refers to its recommended amendment as one that "would maintain substantial restrictions

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1 Report of the Joint Standing Committee on Electoral Matters on *The Effectiveness and Appropriateness of the Redistribution Provisions of Parts III and IV of the Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918* (December 1995) Section 4.3

2 Ibid. Section 4.11

on malapportionment [and] would allow other legitimate policy objectives to be more effectively met”.

17. It was pursuant to this recommendation that the amendment was made by which paragraph 4(a) came to take its present form. The terms of the recommendation, and the discussion which preceded it, make clear the purpose of paragraph 4(a), as it now stands, and how it was intended to interact with the other criteria (i.e. the “other legitimate policy objectives”, as the JSCEM calls them) set out in the sub-paragraphs of paragraph 4(b), to which “due consideration” must be given. The augmented Electoral Commission has made its redistribution on this basis.

### **Consideration of the Redistribution Committee’s proposal and of objections, comments and arguments presented at the inquiry in Perth and Manjimup**

18. The augmented Commission noted that while 22 objections and 6 comments on objections had been received, the submissions relating to the location of boundaries involved a small proportion of the geographic area of the State. There were four main areas of contention where alteration of the proposed boundaries was sought, in addition to submissions about the names Kalgoorlie and O’Connor. With such a relatively small geographic area in dispute in terms of boundaries, the augmented Commission was of the view that the broad principles underpinning the proposal of the Redistribution Committee, and the proposal itself, had been generally well accepted. This sentiment was reflected in a number of objections and comments. Nonetheless, the augmented Commission carefully deliberated on each of the areas subject to objection, and upon the ultimate question posed for it by the determination to be made under section 73(1) of the Electoral Act.

### ***The transfer of Manjimup Local Government Area (LGA) to the proposed Division of Kalgoorlie***

19. Six objections were made against the Redistribution Committee’s proposal to move Manjimup LGA, and, although this was put less forcefully, also Bridgetown-Greenbushes LGA, from the current Division of Forrest to the proposed Division of Kalgoorlie. The written objections, and submissions made at the public inquiry held in Manjimup, argued that the change would impede the ability of constituents to be effectively represented and that their communities of interests and transport connections were with the south west of the State, rather than to the east. It was suggested that Collie LGA might be moved to Kalgoorlie in lieu of Manjimup. However, this alternative was opposed by the Mayor of the City of Bunbury. In its comment, the Australian Labor Party National Secretariat (ALP) also indicated its support for leaving Manjimup and Bridgetown-Greenbushes in Kalgoorlie and Collie in Forrest as proposed by the Redistribution Committee.

20. The augmented Commission explored options to move Manjimup LGA into Forrest. To satisfy the numerical requirements, this would require either the Collie LGA or the Harvey LGA (Part B) to be transferred from Forrest. The augmented Commission was of the view that, on balance, the Collie and Harvey LGAs had stronger communities of interest claims in relation to Bunbury and the south west than those shown by Manjimup and therefore the case for moving Collie or Harvey instead of Manjimup was not made out. At the same time, the essential requirement imposed by section 73(4)(a), to which the Electoral Act makes section 73(4)(b) “subject”, could not be evaded. In the circumstances, the augmented Commission declined to uphold the objections.

***The proposed boundary between the divisions of Tangney and Swan***

21. The augmented Commission received five objections and two comments about the Redistribution Committee’s proposal to include the localities of Ferndale, Lynwood and Langford in the Division of Swan, rather than to retain them in the Division of Tangney. The case for leaving these localities in Tangney was based on the communities of interest, communication and travel, and physical features criteria, and included the argument that the boundary should follow the recognisable natural feature of the Canning River. One of the comments supported the Redistribution Committee’s proposal.
22. The augmented Commission considered the Redistribution Committee’s reasoning. It agreed that uniting Canning Vale in Tangney was appropriate and that Canning Vale had legitimate community of interests links with Tangney. A decision to do this, however, meant that Tangney had to shed electors in order to meet the requirements of the Electoral Act. The augmented Commission noted that moving Ferndale, Lynwood and Langford was logical, particularly given the restricted capacity to change other parts of the Tangney boundary. The augmented Commission considered the possibility of retaining these three localities in Swan, moving the boundary north into Hasluck to compensate. However, in the augmented Commission’s opinion, the Perth airport presented a clear barrier to doing so. The augmented Commission accepted the Redistribution Committee’s reasoning and proposal in respect of the Tangney and Swan boundary, noting that the proposed boundary was clearly identifiable and substantially followed major features. In the result, the objections failed.

***The proposed boundary between the divisions of Curtin and Stirling***

23. Several objections included reference to the Division of Curtin. The most significant objection sought to exchange electors between Curtin and Stirling by reshaping the boundary. Two comments received by the augmented Commission strongly disagreed with this objection and supported the Redistribution Committee’s proposal. The augmented Commission considered that the Redistribution Committee’s proposed boundary along Scarborough Beach Road was a readily

recognisable boundary, which united a greater proportion of Scarborough and Doubleview localities in one division. The alternative offered by the objection would unite these localities but split the localities of Trigg and Karrinyup, which are presently united. The resultant boundary would be irregular and potentially cause elector confusion. Importantly, the augmented Electoral Commission also found the communities of interests claims arising from the objection less convincing than those in the proposed redistribution. The augmented Commission found no compelling argument to change the Redistribution Committee's proposal, with which it agreed. Accordingly, the objection failed.

### ***The proposed boundary between the divisions of Moore and Cowan***

24. One objection was lodged about the proposed boundary between Moore and Cowan as it related to the locality of Tapping. The objection suggested that moving the proposed boundary to coincide with Joondalup Drive would clarify the boundary location and avoid splitting localities; in particular Tapping would lie fully within Cowan. In response, a comment was submitted in disagreement with the objection, claiming it failed to take into consideration the fact that Moore was a low growth area.
25. The augmented Commission noted the issues raised by the objection, including the communities of interests involved and the quite prominent local physical feature constituted by Joondalup Drive, and was of the opinion that there would be benefit in uniting the locality of Tapping and, at the same time, clarifying the boundary by moving it to Joondalup Drive. The enrolment tolerances would still be achieved by such a change and projected growth is anticipated to be sufficient to keep Moore within the tolerance range. Therefore the augmented Commission concluded that the objection was to be sustained.

### ***Other questions relating to proposed boundaries***

26. Subject to the particular matters discussed in these reasons, the augmented Commission agreed generally with the proposal made by the Committee.
27. One objection was lodged suggesting changes to a number of the proposed metropolitan boundaries. However, the changes proposed would result in enrolment projections for some divisions falling outside the tolerances defined by the legislation. Consequently, this objection failed.
28. Two objections opposed the very considerable changes involved in the proposed divisions of O'Connor and Kalgoorlie. One objected to the Dandaragan LGA being included in the Division of O'Connor, largely on the grounds of the size of the division and consequent concern as to the capacity of a member to provide effective representation to that community. The other argued that the Redistribution Committee had put too much weight on reallocating the area of these divisions

at the expense of the community of interests and existing boundaries criteria. It was believed that more appropriate boundaries could be achieved with minimal changes. The augmented Commission noted the very small number of objections to this particular proposal by the Redistribution Committee and at the same time the positive sentiments expressed. The proposal to reconfigure these two rural divisions had indeed been generally well accepted. The augmented Commission accepted the Redistribution Committee's reasoning and proposal in respect of this reconfiguration. It found that the statutory considerations of "area" and "means of communication and travel within the [relevant divisions]" provided strong support for the new boundaries. Therefore the objections failed.

***The names of the proposed divisions of O'Connor and Kalgoorlie***

29. The Redistribution Committee proposal which attracted the most attention, in the form of objections and comments, was the naming of the northern rural division O'Connor and the southern rural division Kalgoorlie. All but one of these objections indicated that the northern division should be called Court in recognition of the late Sir Charles Court, and the southern division O'Connor, in recognition of C. Y. O'Connor. Subsequently, one comment urged retaining the name Kalgoorlie for the southern division, while another argued against the name Court and suggested Collier or Beazley instead.
30. In the light of the extent of the changes made to the boundaries of the existing divisions of O'Connor and Kalgoorlie, the augmented Commission considered whether it was appropriate to review these names. Although there are guidelines on naming which are followed "as a matter of practice" (see Joint Standing Committee on Electoral Matters Report (1995) on The Effectiveness and Appropriateness of the Redistribution Provisions of Parts III and IV of the Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918, section 8.7), the augmented Commission retains, as the Joint Standing Committee on Electoral Matters stated in the same section, "an open discretion in the naming of divisions".
31. The augmented Commission noted the level of interest in the naming of the two divisions in question. There appeared to be a general consensus that O'Connor should be retained as the name of a federal electoral division. On the other hand, Kalgoorlie, it was argued, had the potential to be confused with the State electorate and failed to reflect in any real way the nature of the new southern division.
32. The augmented Commission deliberated at some length on the submissions in the context of the naming guidelines (Appendix F). On balance, it concluded that the southern division should be named O'Connor in recognition of C. Y. O'Connor's achievements in, and association with, that geographic region as well as otherwise in Western Australia.

33. The name Kalgoorlie, in the opinion of the augmented Commission, would not be appropriate for the northern rural division. The augmented Commission acknowledged that the choice of one of the suggested names of Court, Beazley and Collier would fittingly recognise a great contribution made to the State of Western Australia. In the context and at the time of the present redistribution, however, the augmented Commission decided to name the northern rural division Durack in recognition of the Durack family who were pioneers and developers of the Kimberley region.
34. Patrick 'Patsy' Durack (1834-1898), pastoral pioneer, took up land on the Ord River in the East Kimberley in 1882, where he founded the Argyle Downs and Ivanhoe stations. Among members of the Durack family who explored or settled the north at this time were Michael ("Stumpy") Durack, Jeremiah ("Galway Jerry") Durack, and MJ ("Long Michael") Durack. A cousin, WJ ("Will") Durack, worked as a doctor in the Marble Bar and Murchison district and was the first to diagnose leprosy in Aboriginal people in this area.
35. Michael Patrick Durack (1865–1950), son of Patrick Durack, was a member of the Western Australian Legislative Assembly from 1917 to 1924 where he promoted development of the north of the State.
36. Mary Durack (1913-1994), the daughter of Michael Patrick Durack, was an author and historian. Mary Durack and her sister Elizabeth collaborated on a number of illustrated books, their first in 1935 being 'All About: The Story of a Black Community on Argyle Station'. Overall, Mary Durack published 39 books in her lifetime. Her most famous book, 'Kings in Grass Castles', was made into a movie. Other works included 'Keep Him, My Country' and 'The Courteous Savage: Yagan of the Bibbulmun'. Many of Mary Durack's writings paint a uniquely Australian picture of the outback, Australian settlers, the history of missionaries in Western Australia, and her family's struggles and achievements as pioneers, particularly in the Kimberley region. Mary Durack garnered many awards including an Order of the British Empire (1966), Dame Commander of the Order of the British Empire (1977) for her services to literature, and Companion of the Order of Australia (1989).
37. In 1938, Mary Durack married Captain Horrie Miller who was the co-founder of MacRobertson-Miller Airlines. They had six children, one of whom, Robin Miller, known as the 'Sugarbird Lady', maintained a connection with the Kimberley through her work as a pilot and nurse with the Royal Flying Doctor Service.
38. Elizabeth Durack (1915-2000), the second daughter of Michael Patrick Durack, was a renowned artist. Most of her art captured remote parts of north and central Western Australia. In recognition of her contribution to the State's artistic heritage, she received an Order of the British Empire in 1966 and a Companion of St Michael and St George in 1982.

39. Kimberley Michael (Kim) Durack (1917-1968), son of Michael Patrick Durack, advocated the introduction of irrigation for pasture management, complemented by agricultural crops. He established the Ord River Research Station, which led to irrigated farming around Kununurra.
40. Peter Durack (1926-2008), the son of JP Durack QC and cousin of Mary and Elizabeth Durack, was a Senator for Western Australia from 1971 to 1993. During this time, he served as the Minister for Repatriation (now Veterans' Affairs) (1976-1977) and Attorney-General (1977-1983). Peter Durack contributed to more accountable government and public administration, in particular by the introduction of the Freedom of Information Act. He also wrote several books on legal issues and the Mabo court case, with which he was involved as Attorney General.

***Whether the augmented Electoral Commission's proposal is "significantly different" from the Redistribution Committee's proposal***

41. The augmented Commission's decision to propose to determine the names and boundaries of the divisions into which the State of Western Australia is to be distributed, by affirming the Committee's proposal subject to the stated variations, leaves a further question outstanding under section 72(12) of the Electoral Act. This question is whether, "in the opinion of the augmented Electoral Commission", its proposal is "significantly different" from that of the Committee.
42. Whether the proposals are significantly different is to be decided in the light of the nature of the Committee's proposal, to which the changes made by the augmented Commission relate. In formulating that proposal, the Committee had to take account of major shifts of population in the State, particularly the relative decreases in the inner metropolitan area of Perth and in the vast expanses of the east and the north, and the relative increases in outer metropolitan areas and in the south-west of the state. As a result, many areas and their boundaries required important adjustments for the purposes of the redistribution, and the previous divisions of Kalgoorlie and O'Connor were substantially changed.
43. The augmented Commission accepted all the boundary changes except for one relatively minor variation of one divisional boundary; it changed one divisional name out of fifteen divisional names; and it applied the name O'Connor, not to the particular reconfigured division formed out of the former Kalgoorlie and O'Connor chosen by the Committee, but to the other of those reconfigured divisions. These changes do not alter the substance of the Committee's solution to the problem of the appropriate redistribution of the divisions into which the State is to be distributed.
44. The situation is analogous to that which arose in the 2006 redistribution of Queensland, when the augmented Electoral Commission for that State chose to change the name proposed for one division to Flynn. As was then the case

in Queensland, the augmented Electoral Commission for Western Australia is of the opinion that the proposal now adopted by it is not significantly different within the meaning of section 72(12) of the Electoral Act from the proposal of the Redistribution Committee, and the augmented Commission has so determined.

**Determination made by the augmented Electoral Commission for Western Australia**

45. For the foregoing reasons stated under section 74 of the Electoral Act, the augmented Commission, having considered all objections, comments and submissions, made the determination, the terms of which are set out above, by notice published in the Gazette on the 18<sup>th</sup> of December 2008. The augmented Commission had issued on 7 November 2008 a public announcement in compliance with section 72(10) and (12) of the Electoral Act. As a consequence of the opinion stated in paragraphs 41 to 44, there was no occasion for the augmented Commission to issue the invitation or to hold the further inquiry referred to in section 72(12)(d) and (13) of the Electoral Act.

James Burchett  
Chairperson

Paul Dacey  
Member

Brian Pink  
Member

Colin Nagle  
Member

Mike Bradford  
Member

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Member

augmented Electoral Commission for Western Australia  
18 December 2008

### 1.3 STATISTICAL SUMMARY

#### STATISTICAL SUMMARY AND GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF THE MANNER IN WHICH EACH PROPOSED DIVISION HAS BEEN CONSTITUTED

**Table 1: Determination of the Quota and Enrolment Projections**

<b>DETERMINATION OF QUOTA</b>	
Number of divisions into which Western Australia is to be distributed	15
Number of electors in Western Australia at 14 December 2007	1 322 878
Quota for Western Australia	88 192
Permissible maximum number of electors (+10%) in a division	97 011
Permissible minimum number of electors (-10%) in a division	79 373
<b>ENROLMENT PROJECTIONS AT 17 JUNE 2012</b>	
Projected number of electors in Western Australia at 17 June 2012	1 438 062
Average enrolment for Western Australia at 17 June 2012	95 871
103.5% of average enrolment projected at 17 June 2012	99 226
96.5% of average enrolment projected at 17 June 2012	92 516

**Table 2: Summary of Divisions**

<b>Division</b>	<b>Actual Enrolment 14 Dec 2007</b>	<b>Variance% (Average)</b>	<b>Projected Enrolment 17 June 2012</b>	<b>Variance % (Projected)</b>	<b>Approximate Area (sq km)</b>
Brand	81 822	-7.22	96 673	0.84	411
Canning	84 175	-4.55	94 596	-1.33	6 178
Cowan	84 727	-3.93	97 007	1.18	180
Curtin	90 037	2.09	93 405	-2.57	104
Durack	88 177	-0.02	96 711	0.88	1 587 758
Forrest	85 149	-3.45	95 689	-0.19	12 781
Fremantle	89 558	1.55	96 630	0.79	201
Hasluck	91 796	4.09	97 484	1.68	245
Moore	87 846	-0.39	92 986	-3.01	133
O'Connor	93 719	6.27	96 785	0.95	908 954
Pearce	82 526	-6.42	97 212	1.4	14 401
Perth	91 550	3.81	95 734	-0.14	78
Stirling	90 466	2.58	95 339	-0.55	77
Swan	90 854	3.02	96 415	0.57	126
Tangney	90 476	2.59	95 396	-0.5	96
<b>Western Australia</b>	<b>1 322 878</b>		<b>1 438 062</b>		<b>2 531 725</b>

**Table 3: Summary of Movement of Electors between Divisions**

Number of electors remaining in their existing division	1 109 395
Number of electors transferred to another division (This results in 16.14% electors moving divisions)	213 483
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1 322 878</b>

## **1.4 DESCRIPTION OF THE METHOD USED TO CALCULATE THE AREAS OF ELECTORAL DIVISIONS**

The areas of electoral divisions in Western Australia have been calculated by aggregating the area of:

- all land-based CCDs;
- any parts of land-based CCDs; and
- any lakes ponds rivers creeks wetlands or marshes not already included in land-based CCDs that are wholly contained within the divisional boundary of each electoral division.

Areas are calculated on the geocentric datum of Australia (GDA94) spheroid using the AEC Electoral Boundary Mapping System (EBMS) developed within the proprietary "MapInfo Professional" software package.

## 1.5 GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF EACH ELECTORAL DIVISION

The tables on the following pages set out how each electoral division is constituted and arranged under SLAs. Each SLA comprises a number of CCDs. The CCDs which applied at the 2006 Census of Population and Housing have been used.

### Division 1: Brand

<b>How constituted</b>	<b>Actual enrolment 14.12.07</b>	<b>Projected enrolment 17.06.12</b>
From existing Division of Brand, SLAs of -		
Kwinana (T)	14 366	17 314
Mandurah (C)	11 919	13 620
Rockingham (C)	55 537	65 739
Total from existing Division of Brand	81 822	96 673
<b>Total for Division of Brand</b>	<b>81 822</b>	<b>96 673</b>
SLAs transferred to proposed Division of Canning		
Mandurah (C)	11 189	12 293
Total transferred to Division of Canning	11 189	12 293

## Division 2: Canning

How constituted	Actual enrolment 14.12.07	Projected enrolment 17.06.12
From existing Division of Canning, SLAs of -		
Armadale (C)	34 305	37 693
Mandurah (C)	17 531	20 590
Murray (S)	8 855	9 917
Serpentine-Jarrahdale (S)	8 986	10 621
Waroona (S)	2 398	2 512
Total from existing Division of Canning	72 075	81 333
SLAs received from the existing Division of Brand		
Mandurah (C)	11 189	12 293
Total received from existing Division of Brand	11 189	12 293
SLAs received from the existing Division of Pearce		
Boddington (S)	911	970
Total received from existing Division of Pearce	911	970
<b>Total for Division of Canning</b>	<b>84 175</b>	<b>94 596</b>
SLAs transferred to Division of Hasluck		
Gosnells (C)	9 136	9 818
Total transferred to the Division of Hasluck	9 136	9 818
SLAs transferred to proposed Division of Tangney		
Canning (C)	5 785	6 430
Gosnells (C)	8 443	11 205
Total transferred to the Division of Tangney	14 228	17 635

**Division 3: Division of Cowan**

<b>How constituted</b>	<b>Actual enrolment 14.12.07</b>	<b>Projected enrolment 17.06.12</b>
From existing Division of Cowan, SLAs of -		
Joondalup (C) - South	26 301	26 190
Swan (C)	12 323	12 731
Wanneroo (C) - North-East	18 024	25 715
Wanneroo (C) - South	28 079	32 371
Total from existing Division of Cowan	84 727	97 007
<b>Total for Division of Cowan</b>	<b>84 727</b>	<b>97 007</b>
SLAs transferred to proposed Division of Moore		
Wanneroo (C) - North-East	3 143	4 966
Total transferred to the Division of Moore	3 143	4 966
SLAs transferred to proposed Division of Perth		
Bayswater (C)	5 102	5 095
Stirling (C) - Central	195	192
Swan (C)	1 087	1 079
Total transferred to the proposed Division of Perth	6 384	6 366

#### Division 4: Division of Curtin

How constituted	Actual enrolment 14.12.07	Projected enrolment 17.06.12
From existing Division of Curtin, SLAs of -		
Cambridge (T)	16 852	17 045
Claremont (T)	6 330	6 484
Cottesloe (T)	5 190	5 303
Melville (C)	-	-
Mosman Park (T)	5 434	5 626
Nedlands (C)	14 284	14 189
Peppermint Grove (S)	1 046	1 065
Perth (C) - Remainder	2 009	2 971
Stirling (C) - Central	2 873	3 120
Stirling (C) - Coastal	9 543	9 797
Subiaco (C)	10 885	11 448
Vincent (T)	8 852	9 303
Total from existing Division of Curtin	83 298	86 351
SLAs received from the existing Division of Stirling		
Stirling (C) - Coastal	6 739	7 054
Total received from existing Division of Stirling	6 739	7 054
<b>Total for Division of Curtin</b>	<b>90 037</b>	<b>93 405</b>
SLAs transferred to proposed Division of Stirling		
Stirling (C) - Central	3 149	3 306
Total transferred to Division of Stirling	3 149	3 306

**Division 5: Division of Durack**

<b>How constituted</b>	<b>Actual enrolment 14.12.07</b>	<b>Projected enrolment 17.06.12</b>
From existing Division of Kalgoorlie, SLAs of -		
Ashburton (S)	3 257	3 565
Broome (S)	7 471	8 516
Carnarvon (S)	3 333	3 252
Chapman Valley (S)	662	755
Cue (S)	189	191
Derby-West Kimberley (S)	3 717	3 916
East Pilbara (S)	3 047	4 119
Exmouth (S)	1 349	1 489
Halls Creek (S)	1 857	1 965
Meekatharra (S)	575	563
Merredin (S)	2 085	2 044
Mount Magnet (S)	395	395
Mullewa (S)	473	471
Murchison (S)	86	84
Northampton (S)	2 362	2 446
Port Hedland (T)	5 658	5 812
Roebourne (S)	8 715	11 566
Sandstone (S)	66	69
Shark Bay (S)	563	561
Upper Gascoyne (S)	215	210
Wiluna (S)	342	354
Wyndham-East Kimberley (S)	3 811	3 924
Yalgoo (S)	140	138
<b>Total received from existing Division of Kalgoorlie</b>	<b>50 368</b>	<b>56 405</b>

<b>How constituted</b>	<b>Actual enrolment 14.12.07</b>	<b>Projected enrolment 17.06.12</b>
SLAs received from the existing Division of O'Connor		
Carnamah (S)	427	425
Coorow (S)	849	881
Cunderdin (S)	845	854
Dalwallinu (S)	874	844
Dandaragan (S)	2 032	2 191
Dowerin (S)	517	526
Geraldton (C)	12 072	12 527
Goomalling (S)	725	757
Greenough (S) – Pt A	8 473	9 898
Greenough (S) – Pt B	838	922
Irwin (S)	2 258	2 523
Kellerberrin (S)	803	839
Koorda (S)	334	335
Mingenew (S)	338	346
Moorabool (S)	1 610	1 609
Morawa (S)	503	535
Mount Marshall (S)	395	390
Mukinbudin (S)	418	431
Nungarin (S)	174	177
Perenjori (S)	355	363
Tammin (S)	245	245
Three Springs (S)	436	411
Trayning (S)	271	271
Victoria Plains (S)	625	625
Wongan-Ballidu (S)	1 003	990
Wyalkatchem (S)	389	391
Total received from existing Division of O'Connor	37 809	40 306
<b>Total for Division of Durack</b>	<b>88 177</b>	<b>96 711</b>

**Division 6: Division of Forrest**

<b>How constituted</b>	<b>Actual enrolment 14.12.07</b>	<b>Projected enrolment 17.06.12</b>
From existing Division of Forrest, SLAs of -		
Augusta-Margaret River (S)	7 402	8 016
Bunbury (C)	20 936	22 281
Busselton (S)	18 420	20 759
Capel (S) - Pt A	4 055	5 932
Capel (S) - Pt B	2 968	3 180
Collie (S)	5 961	5 946
Dardanup (S) - Pt A	5 366	6 744
Dardanup (S) - Pt B	1 874	2 022
Donnybrook-Balingup (S)	3 440	3 723
Harvey (S) - Pt A	8 367	10 308
Harvey (S) - Pt B	5 457	5 848
Nannup (S)	903	930
Total from existing Division of Forrest	85 149	95 689
<b>Total for Division of Forrest</b>	<b>85 149</b>	<b>95 689</b>
SLAs transferred to Division of O'Connor		
Bridgetown-Greenbushes (S)	2 940	2 978
Manjimup (S)	6 415	6 257
Total transferred to the Division of O'Connor	9 355	9 235

**Division 7: Division of Fremantle**

<b>How constituted</b>	<b>Actual enrolment 14.12.07</b>	<b>Projected enrolment 17.06.12</b>
From existing Division of Fremantle, SLAs of -		
Cockburn (C)	49 825	56 463
East Fremantle (T)	4 895	4 983
Fremantle (C) - Inner	488	530
Fremantle (C) - Remainder	17 791	17 917
Melville (C)	16 559	16 737
Peppermint Grove (S)	-	-
Total from existing Division of Fremantle	89 558	96 630
<b>Total for Division of Fremantle</b>	<b>89 558</b>	<b>96 630</b>

**Division 8: Division of Hasluck**

<b>How constituted</b>	<b>Actual enrolment 14.12.07</b>	<b>Projected enrolment 17.06.12</b>
From existing Division of Hasluck, SLAs of -		
Bassendean (T)	-	-
Canning (C)	-	-
Gosnells (C)	34 733	36 229
Kalamunda (S)	33 297	35 595
Mundaring (S)	2 845	2 871
Swan (C)	11 785	12 971
Total from existing Division of Hasluck	82 660	87 666
SLAs received from the existing Division of Canning		
Gosnells (C)	9 136	9 818
Total received from existing Division of Canning	9 136	9 818
SLAs received from the existing Division of Pearce		
Gosnells (C)	-	-
Total received from existing Division of Hasluck		
<b>Total for Division of Hasluck</b>	<b>91 796</b>	<b>97 484</b>
SLAs transferred to Division of Pearce		
Swan (C)	119	118
Total transferred to the Division of Pearce	119	118

**Division 9: Division of Moore**

<b>How constituted</b>	<b>Actual enrolment 14.12.07</b>	<b>Projected enrolment 17.06.12</b>
From existing Division of Moore, SLAs of -		
Joondalup (C) - North	31 075	32 524
Joondalup (C) - South	45 501	45 072
Wanneroo (C) - North-West	-	-
Total from existing Division of Moore	76 576	77 596
SLAs received from the existing Division of Cowan		
Wanneroo (C) - North-East	3 143	4 966
Total received from existing Division of Cowan	3 143	4 966
SLAs received from the existing Division of Pearce		
Joondalup (C) - North	-	-
Wanneroo (C) - North-East	63	64
Wanneroo (C) - North-West	8 064	10 360
Total received from existing Division of Pearce	8 127	10 424
<b>Total for Division of Moore</b>	<b>87 846</b>	<b>92 986</b>
SLAs transferred to Division of Stirling		
Stirling (C) - Coastal	965	988
Total transferred to the Division of Stirling	965	988

**Division 10: Division of O'Connor**

<b>How constituted</b>	<b>Actual enrolment 14.12.07</b>	<b>Projected enrolment 17.06.12</b>
From the existing Division of O'Connor, SLAs of -		
Albany (C) - Central	11 308	11 661
Albany (C) Bal	11 068	12 153
Boyup Brook (S)	1 164	1 184
Broomehill (S)	356	357
Bruce Rock (S)	723	704
Corrigin (S)	854	853
Cranbrook (S)	722	764
Denmark (S)	3 435	3 576
Dumbleyung (S)	491	503
Gnowangerup (S)	916	890
Jerramungup (S)	750	751
Katanning (S)	2 461	2 495
Kent (S)	446	452
Kojonup (S)	1 446	1 428
Kondinin (S)	646	658
Kulin (S)	618	637
Lake Grace (S)	1 043	1 047
Narembeen (S)	624	637
Plantagenet (S)	3 151	3 264
Quairading (S)	743	723
Ravensthorpe (S)	1 122	1 498
Tambellup (S)	427	434
Wagin (S)	1 270	1 339
West Arthur (S)	652	645
Wickepin (S)	528	548
Woodanilling (S)	259	258
Total received from existing Division of O'Connor	47 223	49 459

<b>How constituted</b>	<b>Actual enrolment 14.12.07</b>	<b>Projected enrolment 17.06.12</b>
SLAs received from the existing Division of Forrest		
Bridgetown-Greenbushes (S)	2 940	2 978
Manjimup (S)	6 415	6 257
Total received from existing Division of Forrest	9 355	9 235
From existing Division of Kalgoorlie SLAs of -		
Coolgardie (S)	1 887	1 882
Dundas (S)	595	557
Esperance (S)	8 682	9 110
Kalgoorlie/Boulder (C) - Pt A	15 950	16 466
Kalgoorlie/Boulder (C) - Pt B	173	167
Laverton (S)	411	454
Leonora (S)	742	707
Menzies (S)	243	231
Ngaanyatjarraku (S)	1 059	1 050
Westonia (S)	191	193
Yilgarn (S)	845	851
Total received from existing Division of Kalgoorlie	30 778	31 668
SLAs received from the existing Division of Pearce		
Brookton (S)	702	733
Cuballing (S)	580	620
Narrogin (S)	565	642
Narrogin (T)	2 766	2 654
Pingelly (S)	805	834
Wandering (S)	262	261
Williams (S)	683	679
Total received from existing Division of Pearce	6 363	6 423
<b>Total for Division of O'Connor</b>	<b>93 719</b>	<b>96 785</b>

<b>How constituted</b>	<b>Actual enrolment 14.12.07</b>	<b>Projected enrolment 17.06.12</b>
SLAs transferred to Division of Durack		
Carnamah (S)	427	425
Coorow (S)	849	881
Cunderdin (S)	845	854
Dalwallinu (S)	874	844
Dandaragan (S)	2 032	2 191
Dowerin (S)	517	526
Geraldton (C)	12 072	12 527
Goomalling (S)	725	757
Greenough (S) – Pt A	8 473	9 898
Greenough (S) – Pt B	838	922
Irwin (S)	2 258	2 523
Kellerberrin (S)	803	839
Koorda (S)	334	335
Mingenew (S)	338	346
Moorabool (S)	1 610	1 609
Morawa (S)	503	535
Mount Marshall (S)	395	390
Mukinbudin (S)	418	431
Nungarin (S)	174	177
Perenjori (S)	355	363
Tammin (S)	245	245
Three Springs (S)	436	411
Trayning (S)	271	271
Victoria Plains (S)	625	625
Wongan-Ballidu (S)	1 003	990
Wyalkatchem (S)	389	391
Total transferred from existing Division of O'Connor	37 809	40 306

**Division 11: Division of Pearce**

<b>How constituted</b>	<b>Actual enrolment 14.12.07</b>	<b>Projected enrolment 17.06.12</b>
From existing Division of Pearce, SLAs of -		
Beverley (S)	1 244	1 289
Chittering (S)	2 422	2 760
Gingin (S)	3 025	3 268
Kalamunda (S)	1 739	1 794
Mundaring (S)	21 267	22 059
Northam (S)	2 541	2 844
Northam (T)	3 990	3 962
Swan (C)	23 695	29 537
Toodyay (S)	2 996	3 109
Wanneroo (C) - North-East	441	477
Wanneroo (C) - North-West	14 375	20 051
York (S)	2 319	2 384
Total from existing Division of Pearce	80 054	93 534
SLAs received from the existing Division of Hasluck		
Swan (C)	119	118
Total received from existing Division of Hasluck	119	118
SLAs received from the existing Division of Perth		
Swan (C)	2 353	3 560
Total received from existing Division of Perth	2 353	3 560
<b>Total for Division of Pearce</b>	<b>82 526</b>	<b>97 212</b>

<b>How constituted</b>	<b>Actual enrolment 14.12.07</b>	<b>Projected enrolment 17.06.12</b>
SLAs transferred to Division of Canning		
Boddington (S)	911	970
Total transferred to the Division of Canning	911	970
SLAs transferred to Division of Hasluck		
Gosnells (C)	-	-
Total transferred to the Division of Hasluck	-	-
SLAs transferred to Division of Moore		
Joondalup (C) North	-	-
Wanneroo (C) North East	63	64
Wanneroo (C) North West	8 064	10 360
Total transferred to the Division of Moore	8 127	10,424
SLAs transferred to Division of O'Connor		
Brookton (S)	702	733
Cuballing (S)	580	620
Narrogin (S)	565	642
Narrogin (T)	2 766	2 654
Pingelly (S)	805	834
Wandering (S)	262	261
Williams (S)	683	679
Total transferred to the Division of O'Connor	6 363	6 423

## Division 12: Division of Perth

How constituted	Actual enrolment 14.12.07	Projected enrolment 17.06.12
From existing Division of Perth, SLAs of -		
Bassendean (T)	9 733	9 974
Bayswater (C)	35 291	36 131
Perth (C) - Inner	462	742
Perth (C) - Remainder	3 737	5 732
Stirling (C) - Central	6 337	6 504
Stirling (C) - South-Eastern	8 613	8 759
Swan (C)	9 634	9 738
Vincent (T)	10 017	10 445
Total from existing Division of Perth	83 824	88 025
SLAs received from the existing Division of Cowan		
Bayswater (C)	5 102	5 095
Stirling (C) - Central	195	192
Swan (C)	1 087	1 079
Total received from existing Division of Cowan	6 384	6 366
SLAs received from the existing Division of Stirling		
Stirling (C) - Central	1 342	1 343
Total received from existing Division of Stirling	1 342	1 343
<b>Total for Division of Perth</b>	<b>91 550</b>	<b>95 734</b>
SLAs transferred to Division of Pearce		
Swan (C)	2 353	3 560
Total transferred to the Division of Pearce	2 353	3 560
SLAs transferred to Division of Stirling		
Stirling (C) - South-Eastern	2 682	2 646
Total transferred to the Division of Stirling	2 682	2 646

### Division 13: Division of Stirling

How constituted	Actual enrolment 14.12.07	Projected enrolment 17.06.12
From existing Division of Stirling, SLAs of -		
Stirling (C) - Central	55 662	58 717
Stirling (C) - Coastal	28 008	29 682
Total from existing Division of Stirling	83 670	88 399
SLAs received from the existing Division of Curtin		
Stirling (C) - Central	3 149	3 306
Total received from existing Division of Curtin	3 149	3 306
SLAs received from the existing Division of Moore		
Stirling (C) - Coastal	965	988
Total received from existing Division of Moore	965	988
SLAs received from the existing Division of Perth		
Stirling (C) - South-Eastern	2 682	2 646
Total received from existing Division of Perth	2 682	2 646
<b>Total for Division of Stirling</b>	<b>90 466</b>	<b>95 339</b>
SLAs transferred to Division of Curtin		
Stirling (C) - Coastal	6 739	7 054
Total transferred to the Division of Curtin	6 739	7 054
SLAs transferred to Division of Perth		
Stirling (C) - Central	1 342	1 343
Total transferred to the Division of Perth	1 342	1 343

**Division 14: Division of Swan**

<b>How constituted</b>	<b>Actual enrolment 14.12.07</b>	<b>Projected enrolment 17.06.12</b>
From existing Division of Swan, SLAs of -		
Bassendean (T)	-	-
Bayswater (C)	-	-
Belmont (C)	20 679	21 953
Canning (C)	14 557	15 603
Gosnells (C)	4 006	4 145
Kalamunda (S)	1	2
Melville (C)	-	-
South Perth (C)	25 408	26 941
Victoria Park (T)	17 860	19 115
Total from existing Division of Swan	82 511	87 759
SLAs received from the existing Division of Tangney		
Canning (C)	5 290	5 275
Gosnells (C)	3 053	3 381
Total received from existing Division of Tangney	8 343	8 656
<b>Total for Division of Swan</b>	<b>90 854</b>	<b>96 415</b>

**Division 15: Division of Tangney**

<b>How constituted</b>	<b>Actual enrolment 14.12.07</b>	<b>Projected enrolment 17.06.12</b>
From existing Division of Tangney, SLAs of -		
Canning (C)	24 574	25 026
Cockburn (C)	1 570	1 639
Melville (C)	50 104	51 096
Total from existing Division of Tangney	76 248	77 761
SLAs received from the existing Division of Canning		
Canning (C)	5 785	6 430
Gosnells (C)	8 443	11 205
Total received from existing Division of Canning	14 228	17 635
<b>Total for Division of Tangney</b>	<b>90 476</b>	<b>95 396</b>
SLAs transferred to Division of Swan		
Canning (C)	5 290	5 275
Gosnells (C)	3 053	3 381
Total transferred to the Division of Swan	8 343	8 656

**APPENDIX A: COMPOSITION OF THE AUGMENTED ELECTORAL COMMISSION FOR WESTERN AUSTRALIA AND THE REDISTRIBUTION COMMITTEE FOR WESTERN AUSTRALIA**

Members of the augmented Electoral Commission for Western Australia

Hon. James Burchett, QC	Chairperson of the Australian Electoral Commission
Mr Paul Dacey	Acting Electoral Commissioner
Mr Brian Pink	Australian Statistician
Mr Colin Nagle	Australian Electoral Officer for Western Australia
Mr Mike Bradford	Acting Surveyor General of Western Australia
Mr Colin Murphy	Auditor General for Western Australia

Members of the Redistribution Committee for Western Australia

Mr Ian Campbell	Electoral Commissioner
Mr Colin Nagle	Australian Electoral Officer for Western Australia
Mr Grahame Searle	Surveyor General of Western Australia
Mr Colin Murphy	Auditor General for Western Australia

**APPENDIX B: LIST OF PUBLIC OBJECTIONS LODGED WITH THE AUSTRALIAN ELECTORAL COMMISSION PURSUANT TO SECTION 69(1) OF THE COMMONWEALTH ELECTORAL ACT 1918**

- 1 Mr Michael Mackay-Blair
- 2 Mr Findlay Osborn
- 3 The Hon. Wilson Tuckey, MP, Member for O'Connor
- 4 Mr Martin Gordon
- 5 Mr Neville Hatton
- 6 Mr Barry Haase, MP, Member for Kalgoorlie
- 7 Dr Dennis Jensen, MP, Member for Tangney
- 8 The Hon. Judi Moylan, MP, Member for Pearce
- 9 Mr Anthony York, Ms Helen Dyer, Ms Vera Guest and Ms Gertrude Aquilina
- 10 The Hon. Wendy Duncan, MLC, Member for the Agricultural Region
- 11 Mr Peter Clarke, Chief Executive Officer, Shire of Yilgarn
- 12 The Hon. Senator Chris Ellison, Senator for Western Australia
- 13 Mr Andrew Roberts and Ms Maureen Roberts
- 14 Mr Barry G Young
- 15 Petition from 16 residents of the current Division of O'Connor
- 16 Mr Jeremy Hubble, Chief Executive Officer, Shire of Manjimup
- 17 Mr David Smith, Mayor, City of Bunbury
- 18 Mr Ben Morton, State Director, Liberal Party of Australia (WA Division)
- 19 Ms Robyn McSweeney, MLC, Member for the South West
- 20 Mr Keith Ellis
- 21 Mr Tim Gartrell, National Secretary, Labor National Secretariat
- 22 Mr Clinton Strugnell, Chief Executive Officer, Shire of Dandaragan

*A copy of the public objections is included on the CD enclosed with this Report.*

**APPENDIX C: LIST OF COMMENTS ON PUBLIC OBJECTIONS LODGED WITH THE AUSTRALIAN ELECTORAL COMMISSION PURSUANT TO SECTION 69(3) OF THE COMMONWEALTH ELECTORAL ACT 1918**

- 1 Mr Ron Yuryevich, Mayor, City of Kalgoorlie Boulder
- 2 Mr Bill Price, Chief Executive Officer, Shire of Westonia
- 3 Mr Michael Keenan, MP, Member for Stirling
- 4 Mr Tim Gartrell, National Secretary, Labor National Secretariat
- 5 Mr Alfred Archibald
- 6 Mr Ben Morton, State Director, Liberal Party of Australia (WA Division)

*A copy of the comments on public objections is included on the CD enclosed with this Report.*

**APPENDIX D: LIST OF PERSONS WHO APPEARED AT THE PUBLIC INQUIRY INTO PUBLIC OBJECTIONS HELD BY THE AUGMENTED ELECTORAL COMMISSION FOR WESTERN AUSTRALIA IN MANJIMUP ON 22 SEPTEMBER 2008**

- 1 Mr Jeremy Hubble, Chief Executive Officer, Shire of Manjimup
- 2 Mr Wade de Campo, Shire President, Shire of Manjimup
- 3 Mr David Smith, Mayor, City of Bunbury
- 4 Mr Ross Ryan, Branch President, Division of Forest and Manjimup Branch, Liberal Party of Australia (WA Division)

*A copy of the transcript of the inquiry is included on the CD enclosed with this Report.*

**APPENDIX E: LIST OF PERSONS WHO APPEARED AT THE PUBLIC INQUIRY INTO PUBLIC OBJECTIONS HELD BY THE AUGMENTED ELECTORAL COMMISSION FOR WESTERN AUSTRALIA IN PERTH ON 22 SEPTEMBER 2008**

- 1 Mr Jeremy Buxton, Researcher, Liberal Party of Australia (WA Division)
- 2 The Hon. Wilson Tuckey, MP, Member for O'Connor

*A copy of the transcript of the inquiry is included on the CD enclosed with this Report.*

## **APPENDIX F: GUIDELINES FOR THE NAMING OF ELECTORAL DIVISIONS**

Naming of Federal Divisions has been the subject of a number of recommendations from Parliamentary Committees. The subject was dealt with most recently by the 1995 Inquiry of the Joint Standing Committee on Electoral Matters. From these recommendations a set of guidelines or conventions has been developed and these are referred to by Redistribution Committees and augmented Electoral Commissions.

The guidelines are used in situations where divisions are to be created or where divisions are to be abolished during a redistribution process and are offered to interested persons in the advertising of redistributions.

It should be noted that neither Redistribution Committees nor augmented Electoral Commissions are in any way bound by the guidelines which are reproduced below.

### **Naming after persons**

In the main Divisions should be named after deceased Australians who have rendered outstanding service to their country. When new Divisions are created the names of former Prime Ministers should be considered.

### **Federation Divisional names**

Every effort should be made to retain the names of original Federation Divisions.

### **Geographical names**

Locality or place names should generally be avoided but in certain areas the use of geographical features may be appropriate (eg Perth, Kalgoorlie).

### **Aboriginal names**

Aboriginal names should be used where appropriate and as far as possible existing Aboriginal Divisional names should be retained.

**Other criteria**

- The names of Commonwealth Divisions should not duplicate existing State Districts.
- Qualifying names may be used where appropriate (eg Melbourne Ports, Port Adelaide).
- Names of Divisions should not be changed or transferred to new areas without very strong reasons.
- When two or more Divisions are partially combined as far as possible the name of the new Division should be that of the old Division which had the greatest number of electors within the new boundaries. However where the socio-demographic nature of the Division in question has changed significantly this should override the numerical formula.

## **APPENDIX G: REDISTRIBUTION TIMETABLE**

14 December 2007	Direction for Western Australia to be redistributed
18 December 2007	Quota of electors determined
27 February 2008	Public suggestions and comments on public suggestions invited
28 March 2008	Public suggestions closed
9 April 2008	Redistribution Committee appointed
11 April 2008	Public comments on suggestions closed
1 August 2008	Redistribution Committee for Western Australia gave notice in the Gazette of its proposal
29 August 2008	Public objections closed
12 September 2008	Public comments on objections closed
22 September 2008	Inquiry into objections to the proposed redistribution (Manjimup)
22 September 2008	Inquiry into objections to the proposed redistribution (Perth)
7 November 2008	Public announcement of the decision of the augmented Electoral Commission for Western Australia
18 December 2008	Determination of boundaries and names

