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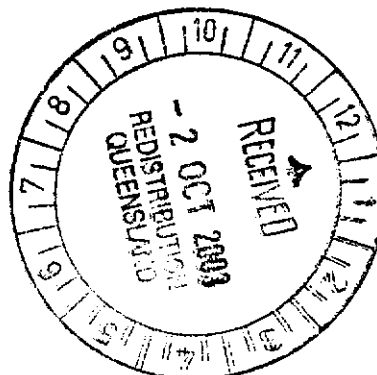
## **Comment Number Six on Public Objections**

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**COMMENT****6**

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Dear Ms Bright

I am writing to make comment regarding the proposed redistribution in relation to the interaction between the electorates of Capricornia and Maranoa.

I live in CCD 3080511 which is south of Blackwater. I conduct the majority of my business within the electorate of Maranoa.

Rarely do we ever go to Rockhampton or conduct our business dealings to the north as, being involved in the cattle industry, Capricornia offers no suitable markets and no processing location since the closure of Rockhampton's meatworks. We do, however, travel to Emerald for business transactions.

I therefore propose that the Census Collection Districts of 3080511, 3080510 and 3080512 remain in the seat of Maranoa on the basis of the strong community of interest that exists around the community of Bauhinia and the southern cattle corridor.

Primary industries centre around the community of Bauhinia where there is a school, sporting grounds and a service station.

Community members travel south to interact with the townships of Taroom, Wandoan and Chinchilla and particularly to sell stock at the major Dalby Sales.

My enquiries have revealed that within the three relevant CCDs to which I refer, there are only 255 registered voters.

I tender that the figures involved will not be detrimental to the overall intent of the redistribution.

It is of the utmost importance that the communities that have long been in the electorate of Maranoa and have strong associations with the electorate of Maranoa remain within an electorate to which they naturally relate.

Yours sincerely

**John Engwicht**  
 1 October 2003

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