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Australian Electoral Commission
Electoral Commissioner
Mr Andy Becker



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RE: Submission in relation to Queensland redistribution and the seat of Oxley

Dear Commissioner

As the member for Oxley, I appreciate the opportunity to submit a few brief remarks regarding the redistribution of federal electorates in Queensland.

I am aware of the suggestions submitted by the Australian Labor Party and support them.

This submission comments on the division of Oxley.

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The enrolment in Oxley at 12 March 2003 was 85 909 and above the quota set for that date. The maximum electors in a Queensland electorate, having regard to the 10% variation provided for in the Commonwealth Electoral Act, are 92,485. Consequently, the seat of Oxley is within tolerable limits as at 12 March 2003.

At the 31 July 2007, the date fixed for the purposes of Section 66(3) of the Act, the Australian Electoral Commission estimate that there would be 93 866 electors in Oxley. This is also below the maximum permitted at that time of 96 901.

Oxley is a seat that since redistribution in 1996 now covers three distinct communities of interest. That being the Ipswich CBD and suburbs to the south, the Goodna region including Greater Springfield (one of Queensland's fastest growing areas), and the Brisbane western suburbs of Inala, and Forest Lake.

The federal seat of Oxley is no longer a seat based on the city of Ipswich and should retain its essential western suburbs communities of interests.

I look forward to the opportunity to review the Redistribution proposal at a later stage in this process.

Yours sincerely

[IMAGE]

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Federal Member for Oxley

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