



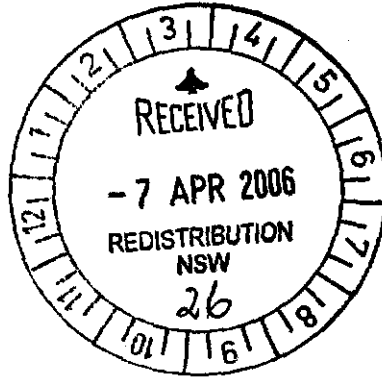
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PENRITH VALLEY
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

"Integrity In Business"

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Australian Electoral Commission
Redistribution Committee for New South Wales
Level 4, Roden Cutler House
24 Campbell Street
Haymarket NSW 2000

Dear Sir /Madam

Re: Opposition to proposal for alteration to boundaries of Lindsay

I am writing on behalf of the Penrith Valley Chamber of Commerce to express our concern with and opposition to changes which have been proposed to the current boundaries of the federal electorate of Lindsay. We represent over 530 businesses and work with government at all levels.

Firstly one proposed change is that the Blue Mountains become part of a Blue Mountains/ Penrith seat, and secondly that areas such as Werrington, Kingswood and Glenmore Park are taken out of the Lindsay electorate and put into Chifley.

We don't agree with any of these radical changes; as the current boundaries encompass a cohesive community entity, a 'community of interest', which we understand is the clear criteria for establishing electoral boundaries. There doesn't appear to be any support for the changes proposed to the Commission for a Blue Mountains/ Penrith division. The current Lindsay boundaries enclose a well established economic, social and regional grouping.

We trust that our views will be taken into account. Should the Commission wish to further discuss these matters, please do not hesitate to contact me on phone 47250300.

Yours sincerely

Yvonne Howie
Chief Executive Officer