

The Federal Redistribution 2006 NEW SOUTH WALES

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To Whom It May Concern



I have just become aware of the proposal to move Orchard Hills and other areas from the Lindsay electorate to that of Chifley. I am very unhappy that this could be considered without direct input from the residents involved. I have lived in Penrith just about all my life. I attended Penrith Primary and Penrith High Schools, worked in local shops and spent many years in the Police Force working in the Penrith area. My children attend schools in Penrith. I represented Penrith in Netball as a teenager and now with a stroke of the pen you wish to move me to Chifley! I vote in the Penrith City Council elections. I do not belong in St Marys, Mt Druitt or Chifley.

Although in close proximity, there are major social, economic and multicultural differences in the two electorates. I believe it would be doing Chifley a disservice to merge these areas. Chifley is an area of high social/welfare/educational need; to add several areas with less demand merely lowers the overall statistical needs without actually doing anything to assist the people of Chifley. It would be devastatingly unfair to the people of Mt Druitt if their funding were reduced simply because changing the electoral boundaries suddenly made them a more affluent area.

I am very against the changing of these boundaries.

Yours sincerely,

Patricia Hitchen