



**The Federal Redistribution 2006
NEW SOUTH WALES**



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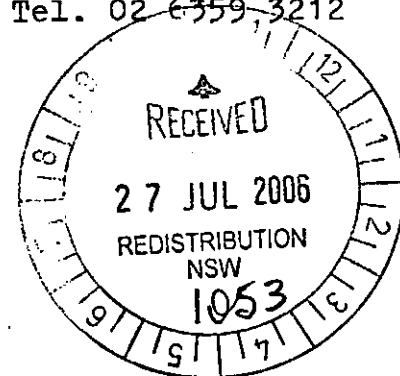
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The Chairman,
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Dear Sir,

Re: Proposed changes to Boundaries for Electoral District of Calare

I wish to object to proposed changes to the eastern boundaries of the Electorate of Calare, particularly the incorporation of the eastern part of Calare with the Electorate of Macquarie.

I am aware that Lithgow City Council supports the proposed change to have Macquarie Electorate extended to cover the Greater Lithgow area. This decision was made against the recommendation of Lithgow Council staff and, as far as I am aware, without any prior consultation with the people

Greater Lithgow encompasses a vast area of agricultural and forest land and the people in these areas have no community of interest with people on the Blue Mountains. The farming community's interests lie to the west with our main business centres being Bathurst and Oberon.

We would gain absolutely nothing by being incorporated in a large urban electorate. More than ever rural communities need to be represented by someone who understands rural issues and I am sure that is most unlikely if the proposed boundary adjustment proceeds

Yours sincerely,

Ian M. Litchfield.