



The Federal Redistribution 2006
NEW SOUTH WALES



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Redistribution Committee for New South Wales
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Dear Sirs

Re: Proposed NSW Federal Electoral Redistribution of Gwydir and Parkes.

As voters in the electorate of Gwydir, we strongly object to the redistribution proposal to merge huge areas of these electoral districts.

To make most of Gwydir and Parkes electorates merge into one huge part of the State of NSW whilst another 48 electorates make up the balance of just over 50% of the State would make it impossible for one person to adequately manage and keep in touch with places so far apart, in many places with inferior roads, airstrips and infrastructure. The time spent traveling would be quite unreasonable to expect anyone to cope with, and still have time between that and sitting in Parliament to keep in contact with constituents in such widely spread parts of NSW.

We cannot understand why some of the Sydney electorates could not more easily have merged, as despite having greater numbers of people, they are so close together that it would be much easier for one person to serve them, as the traveling would be minimal.

We trust you will reconsider this proposal to make Gwydir a much bigger area, when it is already so very big.

Yours faithfully,

Neil Robertson

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