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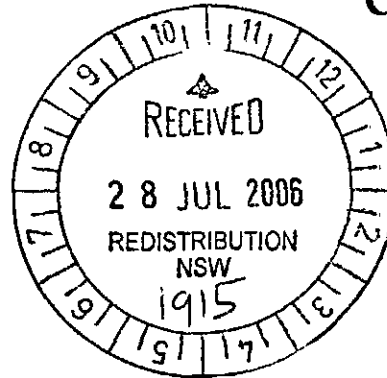
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Australian Electoral Commission  
C/ Redistribution Committee for NSW  
PO Box 20014  
World Square  
NSW 2002



Dear Sir/Madam

**Proposal to Abolish the rural seat of Gwydir**

I am writing to strongly object to the proposal to abolish the rural seat of Gwydir, which is currently represented by John Anderson.

The proposed seat will be five and half times the size of Tasmania, making it difficult for the representative member to be easily available to their constituents. The 'mega-seat' would be an alarming 47% of NSW.

The loss of Gwydir, a Federation seat, would reduce the number of country representatives in the Federal Parliament, thereby diminishing the political voice of regional Australians.

We strongly object to the proposal, as it will be a devastating decision for rural NSW, which already is at a disadvantage to urban NSW regions.

Yours sincerely

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