

## The Federal Redistribution 2006 NEW SOUTH WALES



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Redistribution Committee for New South Wales Australian Electoral Commission (NSW) P O Box 20014 WORLD SQUARE NSW 2002

Dear Sir,

I am writing to express my deep concern with the Electoral Commission proposal to abolish the seat of Gwydir and implore you to give this action serious consideration to leave the seat of Gwydir as it is.

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It is physically impossible for one Member of Parliament to represent 47% of our State which would take in 19 Local Government areas.

I know how difficult it is to make contact with our local Mayor who only represents one local Government area, so I cannot imagine how one person could possibly represent us in a fair and equitable manner – the candidate would be beyond our reach by phone and the distances he would have to travel (and we to do likewise) to make contact and for he to represent this proposed electorate would be beyond his capabilities.

Our country areas need equal representation like our city counterparts and this proposal would see the loss of a voice in our Parliament representing the rural communities of NSW.

Please give my request your serious consideration.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs J R

Kerry T McDonald