

The Federal Redistribution 2006 NEW SOUTH WALES

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16 Askin Place, SCONE. N.S.W. 2337 17TH July, 2006.

The Chairperson,

Redistribution Committee for N.S.W.

P.O. BOX 20014,

World Square N.S.W. 2002

Dear Sir/ Madam,

Herewith we wish to lodge our disapproval of the proposed Federal seat of Parkes. N.S.W. It is preposterous to have 47% of our state represented. by one member. The proposed new seat of Parkes has an area of about 380,000 square kilometres which is an area larger than two of our states:-

Victoria (Parkes is 11/2 times larger) and Tasmania (Parkes is 51/2 times larger) and Australian Capital Territory (Parkes 156 times larger). Each of our states are to have no fewer than 5 Federal members, however, your proposal is for a much larger area to be serviced by one member.

We have personally heard the retiring member for Gwydir (Mr. John Anderson) say how difficult it was to service such a large division, now you are proposing the incoming member to service a new division which is in excess of twice the size of the present seat of Gwydir.

Therefore would like you to consider leaving the boundaries as they currently are.

Yours faithfully,

Don & Lorraine Gardiner