

The Federal Redistribution 2006 NEW SOUTH WALES

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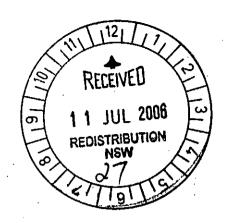
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Dear Sir/Madam,

Your recent recommendation on an electoral redistribution for NSW needs to be reconsidered.

I realize you have your protocols to follow but there must be room for common sense. For an elected representative to be able to cover the area of the proposed Parkes division is nigh on impossible.

You may not remember but when Noel Hicks was the Member for Riverina (then a very large electorate) his wife was killed with them trying to cover too many places in a short time.

Surely there is some reasonableness that can be called upon to keep the size of the electorates to something manageable so that one person can cover the area. People from smaller towns are as important as people from the larger towns. Country people already feel they are second class citizens as governments seem to do everything for the cities and ignore the country. It seems to me you are following that example.

You need to submit to Government a more equitable way of solving this matter.

Yours sincerely,

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