

The Federal Redistribution 2006 NEW SOUTH WALES



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Redistribution Committee for New South Wales Australian Electoral Commission PO Box 20014 World Square NSW 2002.

Dear Committee Members,

I wish to lodge my objection to the proposed abolishment of the Gwyder Electorate combining it with the seat of Parkes.

I cannot believe that your committee can even think such redistribution is fair. Common sense should tell you that one Member of Parliament couldn't represent such a large area of the State of New South Wales. The area equates to forty seven percent of the state! Why obliterate Gwyder when you have another 23 seats under the population quota that could have the boundaries moved only marginally. It really feels like just another vendetta on the rural community. You are doing away with a country electorate and eroding our rural representation.

Please realise that this proposal is not good for Rural New South Wales. Allow us to maintain a fair representation in Parliament and redirect the redrawing of boundaries where the changes do not involve such a vast number of shires and communities.

Yours faithfully,

Helen Strang.