



**The Federal Redistribution 2006
NEW SOUTH WALES**

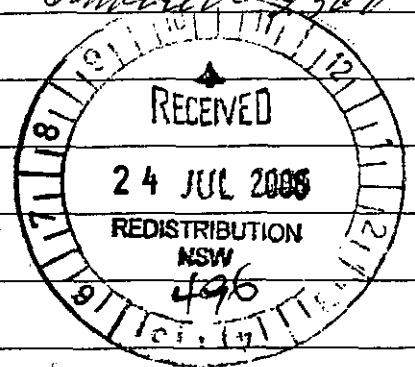


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re abolition of seat of
Gwydir

Dear Sirs,

I wish to state my dismay over your recent
decision to abolish the seat of Gwydir & the proposal
to merge the electorate into the seat of Parkes.

An electorate covering almost 300,000 square kilometres!
How absurd!! How can one member be expected
to serve this huge area? This proposal effectively
reduces the voice of country people in the Federal
Parliament. It seems that the legislative requirements
for communities of interest and the size of the
electorates to be considered in the redistribution
process have been ignored.

Surely the abolition of a seat in the Sydney
electorate would cause far less disruption and
be much more equitable than abolishing the
Gwydir electorate.

Yours faithfully
(Mrs) J. E. Friedmann