

The Federal Redistribution 2006 NEW SOUTH WALES

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Redistribution Committee for NSW PO Box 20014 World Square NSW 2002

Dear Committee Members

I write on behalf of my entire family to strongly oppose the AEC's plan to abolish the Federal seat of Gwydir as part of the latest redistribution of NSW Federal electorates.

My family and I would regard the abolition of our seat as an attack on our level of representation as residents of regional Australia.

We currently receive close attention from the local Federal MP, and don't believe that this could continue if our seat is more than doubled in size to 380,000 square kilometres, making it incredibly hard for a single Member of Parliament to properly service.

Further, none of the redistribution submissions put forward by Labor, Liberal or National Parties propose the abolition of Gwydir and, as these Parties along with individual constituents represent the major stakeholders in the electoral redistribution process, these submissions should be adhered to where possible..

Yours sincerely