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NEW SOUTH WALES



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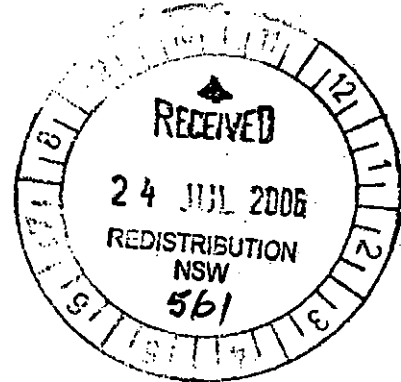
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Dear Sirs

I write to lodge my protest at the proposal to abolish the seat of Gwydir and merge that electorate with Parkes. Country people have a hard enough time as it is and to lose a seat which gives them a voice in Parliament is a cruel blow.

Such a huge electorate will effectively reduce the voice of country people and this cannot surely be your intention. City people get plenty of everything – try living in the country which is much nicer, more friendly and caring but does lack an awful lot of the amenities the concrete jungle mob take for granted. But we do need a voice to be heard where it matters and counts.

Can country people easily get to their MP and can the MP get to an easy place for them – think of the cost of petrol alone. This obviously applied when the Murray/Darling electorate was reduced in size – so why go backwards and try to create a monster electorate in Gwydir/Parkes.

Please, please I beg you to reconsider this proposal.

I am highly aware of the Great Dividing Range as where I live I get lots and lots of rain and one is always a bit surprised to realise that this does not manage to get over the Great Divide and water the rest of the state – that is a sensible, natural dividing line.

Yours sincerely
[Pamela M Barrington MBE Mrs]

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Pamela M Barrington".