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NEW SOUTH WALES

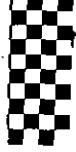


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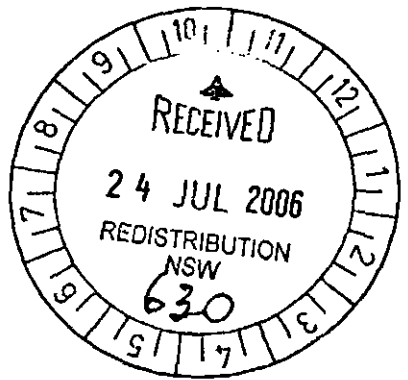


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The Chairman  
Redistribution Committee for New South Wales  
Australian Electoral Commission (N.S.W.)  
P.O. Box 20014  
World Square 2002 N.S.W.

Dear Sir,

I am writing to lodge my objection regarding your proposal to abolish the seat of Bwydir and merge the electorate into the seat of Parkes. I find this proposal insulting and unacceptable to the rural and regional communities of New South Wales.

As a family, we have been living here for over eighty years and we feel very strongly as to where our future lies. Country people are becoming more and more disadvantaged, yet they are the back bone of this country and have weathered more than their fair share of tough times. What we need is more representation not less and one can only imagine the absurd situation, with one sitting Member of Parliament having an electorate covering 47% of the State of N.S.W. It is quite ludicrous and as I said before, insulting to all of us in the Bwydir community.

If rural Australia is to survive, then Governments and Electoral Commissions have to respect and understand the needs of the people and encourage the development of rural areas so as to move families out of the overcrowded cities and create a better environment for all.

By wanting to enlarge the electorate your proposal will reduce any opportunity to communicate with our sitting member. How could one person successfully represent the needs of a huge and diverse area. I therefore urge the Commissioners to reconsider their proposal as in the case when the Commissioners took the opportunity to reduce the State seat of Murray-Darling.

Yours Sincerely  
Janet Bishop.