



**The Federal Redistribution 2006
NEW SOUTH WALES**



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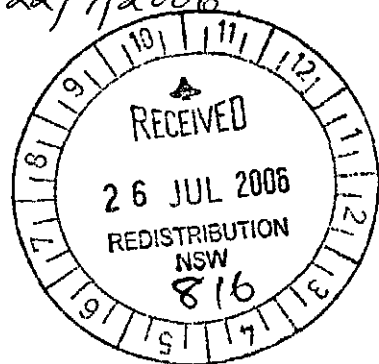
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The Secretary,
Joint Electoral Commission (NSW)
P.O. Box 20014
World Square. 2002.
Dear Sir,



I am writing to express my disappointment at the draft boundaries for the NSW redistribution and in particular the proposal to abolish the seat of Gympie & merge the electorate into the seat of Parkes.

Abolishing a country seat makes it that much more difficult to keep in contact with the local member. Mega seats the size of the proposed seat will be to the disadvantage of country people. How can one representative effectively cover an area which is 47% of N.S.W.?

With the high cost of fuel it will be even more difficult for constituents to travel to meet the local member.

N.S.W. needs all the country representation it can get and we need as many voices in parliament to represent our view as possible - more voices & not less.

In Sydney most people are only a 10-min drive from their M.P.'s office. If a seat has to be abolished I feel it would be more equitable from Sydney

yours sincerely,
(Mrs) R.B. Morton