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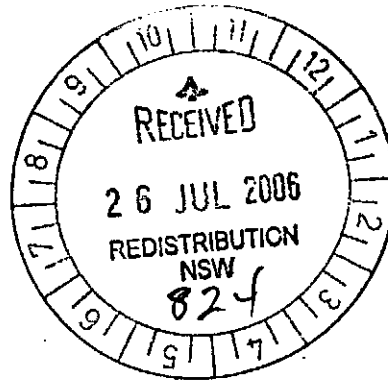
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Dear Sir/Madam

Re: Gwydir Electorate

We are a local business attached to the Gwydir Electorate. We are extremely disturbed regarding your determination to redistribute the Federal seat of Gwydir into the Parkes electorate.

This intended redistribution would require the Parkes Elected member to cover approximately 40% of the state of New South Wales. This would be an onerous task to ask of any member. We are aware the current member for Gwydir's difficulties in servicing his constituents, for that to be added to the already onerous task the Parkes representative has, is unacceptable.

Members of the country should be entitled to have access to their elected member on a reasonable basis. The task you would be requiring the Parkes member to undertake would not allow reasonable contact with any of the constituents.

The removal of the Gwydir Electorate will only disadvantage country constituents greater than they already are. Each Local Council area has needs that are individual to the others and often require the assistance of their local member to enhance their case. With the abolition of the Gwydir electorate the Parkes electorate would be required to represent a minimum of another 5 council shires, this would be untenable.

Our district of Gunnedah is currently experiencing resurgence. This has been due to the recent agreement for the development in an Ethanol Plant, the re-development of the coal mines, which have established three separate local sites and the increase in the cattle numbers to the Gunnedah sale yards, which makes it the second largest sale yards in the state of New South Wales. All these factors will increase the population of the local area over the next number of years.

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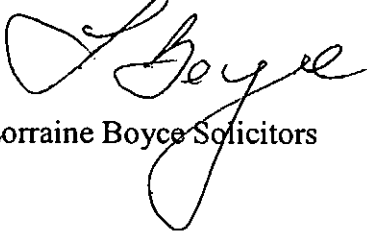
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We would therefore ask you to reconsider your decision to amalgamate the Gwydir electorate into the Parkes electorate and allow the Gwydir electorate to remain, to enable its constituents to have access to their member in the same fair and reasonable manner it has for the last 105 years.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'L. Boyce', written in a cursive style. The signature is positioned above the typed name 'Lorraine Boyce Solicitors'.

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