



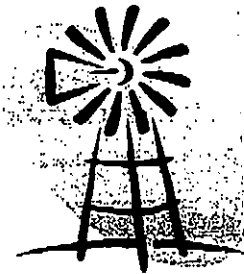
The Federal Redistribution 2006
NEW SOUTH WALES



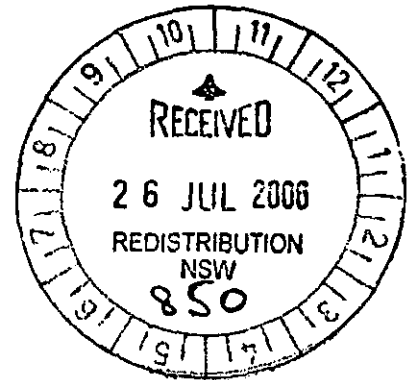
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26th July, 2006

Redistribution Committee for New South Wales,
Australian Electoral Commission (NSW)
P.O. Box 20014,
WORLD SQUARE NSW 2002

Dear Sir,

We write concerned that Australian Electoral Commission has released its draft boundaries for the NSW redistribution and has proposed to abolish the seat of Gwydir and merge the electorate into the seat of Parkes.

The Australian Electoral Commission's proposal creates a new electorate of Parkes that would be almost 380,000 square kilometers in size or 47% of NSW. By creating such a huge electorate the proposal effectively reduces the voice of country people in Federal Parliament.

In Sydney people are often only ten minutes at the most from their M.P.'s office, but in this newly proposed seat of Parkes people will have to drive hours and hours to see their M.P.

We therefore support the retention of existing boundaries between coastal and inland divisions where possible.

Yours Faithfully,

G.J. & D. PATTON,

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