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EUROBODALLA SHIRE COUNCIL

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The Secretary
Redistribution Committee
Australian Electoral Commission
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Dear Sir/Madam

ELECTORAL REDISTRIBUTION PROPOSAL

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Council refers to the proposed changes to the electorate boundaries which will affect Eden Monaro and Gilmore electorates.

The current boundary of Eden Monaro includes the whole of Eurobodalla Shire. Under the current proposal the new boundaries would see the Shire dissected.

In this regard Council wishes to express its strongest opposition to the amendment proposed as there has been a sound working relationship established with the Federal Member for Eden Monaro over the past 10 years with many successful outcomes, including sound economic development. Further, Council asks the Committee to acknowledge the difficulties that would be encountered with the sub regional centre of Batemans Bay being included in the Gilmore electorate and the rest of the Shire in Eden Monaro. This would make relationships most difficult to forge not only for Council but also for the Federal members concerned and the electorate itself.

Council would propose that the entire Shire remain within the Eden Monaro electorate and seek your favourable consideration of Council's request

I would be happy to further address the Committee if this would assist in the proper determination of this matter.

Yours faithfully

GENERAL MANAGER