



The Federal Redistribution 2006  
NEW SOUTH WALES



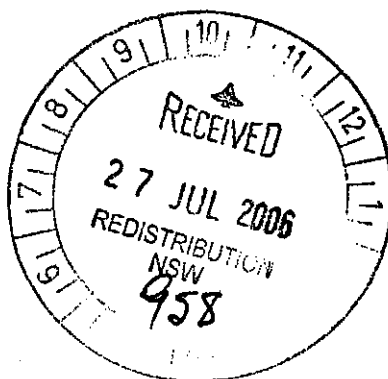
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NSW Redistribution Committee  
Australian Electoral Commission  
PO Box 20014  
World Square, NSW, 2002



Central West Greens  
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Dear Sir,

I write on behalf of the Central West Branch of The Greens NSW, to object to the proposed redistribution of New South Wales Federal Electoral Divisions.

From discussions at our recent branch meetings, our objections concern the proposed changes to the boundaries of Calare and Macquarie, and in particular the proposed inclusion of Bathurst into Macquarie.

We understand that the boundary of Macquarie may need to move further west, and we accept that this could include areas such as Lithgow and Oberon. These towns could arguably be seen to have as much in common with the Blue Mountains, which makes up most of Macquarie, as they do with the central west of the state covered by Calare.

However the same cannot be said about Bathurst, which is definitely and clearly part of the central west, in a sense a "twin town" to Orange, and has a strong commonality of interests with the rest of Calare. It has virtually nothing in common with the Blue Mountains.

We therefore urge that any move to the west by Macquarie should stop short of Bathurst, which should remain in Calare.

Yours faithfully,

Ian Tucker.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "I. Tucker".