



**The Federal Redistribution 2006
NEW SOUTH WALES**



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The Director,
Redistribution Committee for N.S.W.,
Ausrtalian Commission (N.S.W),
P.O. Box 20014
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Dear Sir,

I would like to bring to your Committee my concern for the redistribution proposal for country areas of N.S.W., and especially the abolition of the seat of Gwydir.

The proposed amalgamation with Parkes will result in an area of almost 50% of all of rural N.S.W. in one electorate. This would be almost impossible for one member to cover adequately, as much of his or her time would be spent in travelling, leaving little time to meet with the constituents.

Whilst size of population in each electorate is important, it must be remembered that the elected member must have personal contact with all the people living in the area. In the more settled areas, much less time and expense is spent in travelling, but at the same time folk living in rural areas of the state provide a very important part in the growth, productivity and developement of this country of ours.

Please, do not reduce Rural Representation in the Parliament. It is very important.

Trusting you can and will give all this very serious consideration

Yours faithfully,

(Mrs) Joyce Hedges.

