

The Federal Redistribution 2006 NEW SOUTH WALES



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NSW Redistribution Committee PO Box 20014 WORLD SQUARE NSW 2002

Dear Sir,

Re: The Abolition of Gwydir Electorate

I am writing to let you know that I am totally opposed to the abolition of the electorate of Gwydir and the creation of the 'super-sized' electorate of Parkes.

It is totally impractical to think that one person can effectively represent such an immense area with such diverse industries. With petrol prices at all-time highs, it is ridiculous to expect us to travel hundreds of kilometres to seek political representation.

Imagine the outcry if Sydney residents were asked to travel all day to meet with their local member just to find that he or she is not available because were out trying to service 47% of the State singlehandedly! It is simply outrageous. All Australians should be able to access their local Member easily (not just city dwellers).

Surely a city electorate could be abolished instead. Please look at the alternatives and closely consider the impracticalities and injustice of abolishing regional electorates.

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Yours faithfully,

Michael Donnelly