



The Federal Redistribution 2006
NEW SOUTH WALES



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Redistribution Committee for N.S.W.

Dear Sirs,

I wish to protest against the abolition of the Federal seat of Lyne and Guynder and the enlarging of the seat of Parkes to make it one that covers 379,474 square kilometres or 47% of the state. One member of Parliament cannot possibly provide fair & equitable representation to each of the 19 local government areas included in the proposed seat of Parkes.

By creating such a huge electorate the proposal effectively reduces the voice of country people in the Federal Parliament.

In Sydney, people are often only 10 minutes at the most from their MP's office but, in this newly proposed seat of Parkes, people will have to drive hours to see their MP.

I support the retention of existing boundaries between coastal inland divisions where possible, so that the Great Dividing Range continues to act as a sensible natural dividing line.

I can't reconcile this distasteful proposal.

Yours faithfully

Elizabeth A. Knight

