



**The Federal Redistribution 2006
NEW SOUTH WALES**

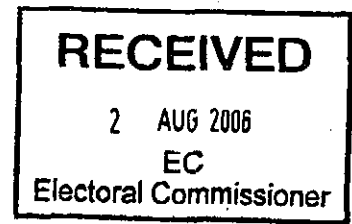


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Australian Electoral Commissioner
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Dear Sir

RE: REDISTRIBUTION OF BOUNDARIES

I am writing to lodge my objections to the redistribution of electoral boundaries which abolishes the Federal seat of Gwydir and enlarges the Federal Seat of Parkes.

I object to the boundary changes, for the following reasons:

- a) The new seat would be extremely large and would not allow a Member of Parliament to equitably and fairly service his/her constituents and/or serve in a Ministerial position. ~~I understand that the seat of Parkes will cover approximately 47% of the State which will lead to ineffective government as the sitting member will spend large amounts of time trying to meet with his/her constituents.~~
- b) The abolition of Gwydir would reduce the number of country representatives in the Federal Parliament and would therefore diminish the political voice of regional Australians.
- c) The Electoral Commission has overlooked the commercial and social association between the communities involved.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "J.M. Smith".

Mrs Jennifer Smith

