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Dear NSW Redistribution Committee

In making my submission for the 2009 NSW redistribution, I can see good cases for the abolition of the division of **Riverina** (to enable both New England and Calare to move west and south and for Farrer to move north) and the division of **Newcastle** (to enable Lyne and Patterson to move south and Charlton, Shortland, Dobell and Robertson to move north) but I believe that the most suitable electorate for abolition is the division of **Berowra**.

The abolition of **Berowra**, a large outer metropolitan Sydney electorate, would give the smaller North Shore electorates some room to grow, now and into the near future.

- **North Sydney and Warringah** can continue to expand north and take over the southern suburbs of Bradfield.
- **Bradfield** can expand west and north into Berowra.
- **Mackellar** can expand to take the northern areas of Berowra.
- **Greenway and Mitchell** can expand to take the western areas of Berowra.

This proposal allows these six electorates, plus **Chifley and Parramatta** to expand comfortably.

The electorates below these: Prospect, Reid, Blaxland etc can continue to move north, as they did in the 2006 redistribution.

Figures suggest that Sydney electorates will continue to expand at the expense of regional electorates and this proposal allows many of the Sydney electorates to expand in a measured way, without forcing regional electorates to expand massively, although this may well be the case by the time of the next redistribution.

Also, I do hope that the Committee renames the division of **Parramatta**, as was discussed in 2006, as the expansion of Reid will surely make this name redundant.

Yours sincerely,

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