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Dear Committee

I feel very strongly that Wagga Wagga keeps its current federal seat and am writing to say for reasons why it should not be altered through a redistribution process which apparently is being currently determined in the make up of boundary changes. Country seats should be retained because of the large geographical areas they cover at the moment and if these seats are lost Wagga Wagga's seat would then have to cover some of these areas thus reducing the time available that is put locally into this seat as it now stands. The current situation already impedes on regional Members ability to properly and effectively represent our constituents.

People in rural areas and regional areas should have the right to access to their

2 Federal Members of Parliament.

The Metropolitan areas have 34 electorates which represent 1.38% of the area of Australia and regional areas have 15 electorates which represent 98.62% of the area of Australia so it seems obvious the N.S.W. redistribution should be with Metropolitan electorates.

I am very anxious that Wagge Wagge is kept in the seat of Riverina to ensure we have good access to representation in the Federal Parliament

Yours faithfully,
Patricia P. Cox