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The Secretariat
Electoral Districts Redistribution Panel
c/o NSW Electoral Commission
GPO Box 832
SYDNEY NSW 2001

Via email: redistribtuion@elections.nsw.gov.au

Dear Secretariat,

Re: Review of NSW electoral districts - submission

I submit herein my comments on the proposed boundaries of The Entrance electorate.

The boundary proposal results in most but not all of the suburb of Berkeley Vale being contained within The Entrance electorate. However, it leaves out six main streets (Platypus, Albatross, Black Swan, Echidna, Gannet, and Wombat). Excluding these streets would seem only to cause confusion for electors in Berkeley Vale.

I appreciate the balance which must be maintained across the state but ask the Commission consider drawing the boundary for The Entrance so that all of Berkeley Vale is contained within it. There are strong community of interest reasons to locate all Berkeley Vale within the one electorate, including catchment for schools, community groups and facilities. The same could be said for all electors south of Ourimbah Creek.

If there was any area which might provide offset to this request I'd suggest this might be the new suburb of Magenta, located between The Entrance North and Norah Head. This new suburb has no community of interest with North Entrance (or anyone for that matter). It's a small subdivision located next to a golf resort and most of the homes are holiday homes but there is also a small population of electors.

Yours sincerely,

