

LIBERAL PARTY OF AUSTRALIA

Federal Director

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Mr Tom Rogers
Electoral Commissioner
Australian Electoral Commission
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Canberra ACT 2601

Dear Mr Rogers,

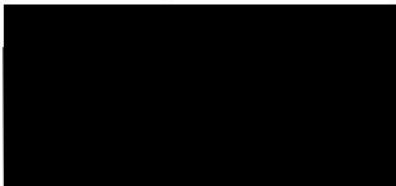
Liberal Democratic Party – Objection under s 134A(1) of the Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918 (Act)

As the registered officer of the Liberal Party of Australia, and on its behalf, I make objection pursuant to section 134A(1) of the Act to the continued use of the name “Liberal Democratic Party” and the abbreviation “Liberal Democrats” on the following grounds:

1. The Liberal Party of Australia was registered under section 126 of the Act on 22 June 1984, well before the Liberal Democratic Party, which was registered under the Act under that name on 17 December 2008, having first been registered as the Liberty and Democracy Party on 7 September 2007.
2. The Liberal Democratic Party, and its registered abbreviation, Liberal Democrats, has in its name the word “Liberal” which is in the name of the Liberal Party of Australia.

In the circumstances, the Commission is required to uphold this objection under section 134A(1)(d) of the Act.

Yours sincerely,



Andrew Hirst
Federal Director