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Attention: Mr Tom Rogers

Please find attached a submission from Ms Cathy McGowan AO MP for consideration in the redistribution of federal electoral divisions in Victoria, with particular reference to the electorate of Indi.

Regards,

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Cathy McGowan AO MP

Federal Member for Indi

Mr Tom Rogers
Chair of the Redistribution Committee for Victoria
Australian Electoral Commission
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Dear Mr Rogers,

Re: Redistribution of federal electoral division of Indi

I write to support the maintenance of the existing boundaries of the electoral division of Indi as part of the 2017-18 Victorian redistribution process.

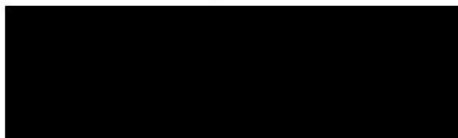
The current Indi electorate spans the high country of five of the Murray-Darling Basin catchments, contributing in excess of 50 per cent to Basin water inflows.

The existing electorate boundaries capture communities of interest, whole Local Government Areas, shared economies and industry and major population centres. The Hume Highway and North East rail line are the main transport links that connect all of the major population centres from the south to the north of the electorate. These major centres provide services to the smaller communities in the Alpine areas.

Indi's communities have a strong culture of inclusion and participation. There are established and effective networks of people at all levels across local government areas, industry and sector interests. These networks connect community and economy, resulting in vibrant population centres from larger cities to smaller towns.

I note that in the 2010 Victorian Redistribution process there were submissions from the Moira Shire Council to have the whole of the Local Government Area of Moira placed in the Division of Murray. If the commission is in a position to support this move, I would not be opposed. I think it is important that wherever possible Local Government Area boundaries should align with Commonwealth electoral boundaries.

Kind Regards



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Independent Federal Member for Indi

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