Esperance WA 6450

WAEC 05 AUG 2015

**Dear Commissioner** 

RE" Objection to proposed new boundaries with abolition of the state seat of Eyre.

My husband and I are residents in the seat of Eyre in Esperance and we have a business in Norseman and we would like to make an objection to the redrawing of boundaries and abolition of this seat of Eyre.

If it goes ahead this means that the entire Goldfields region (minus the Northern Goldfields) will be represented by one solitary Member of Parliament in the Legislative assembly. This will mean a very low rate of political representation of the Goldfields people in parliament. The progression of fewer seats in the country and more seats in metropolitan Perth is a steady decline in representation for country people.

The representative for Esperance will then be based in Wagin and will have little knowledge or interest in the remote town of Esperance. We will have less voice on matters important to our town and any affiliation we had with the Goldfields will no longer be considered by the Wagin representative.

This is a direct attempt to give less political voice to country people and more power to metropolitan residents. With less voice on matters in the country, towns and businesses will not grow and expand and the wealth of the state will decline. Less money will be spent on country towns and people will not continue to stay in towns without adequate services and will move to the city.

The abolition of Eyre is a bad outcome for all people living in the country, regardless of what political party they are in and we urge the Electoral Distribution Commissioner to reconsider this proposal.