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Good morning,

I appreciate the good work ECan is doing across Canterbury but I'm rather concerned about the proposed Representation for the 2019 election and I must object to it if the power of a vote in Central Christchurch is 40% less than a vote in South Canterbury.

It is an unbalanced and anti-democratic proposal that greatly over represents rural voters and under represents urban voters.

Fair representation is a critical pillar of democracy, guaranteed by the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990 and the Local Electoral Act 2001.

This representation proposed is so unbalanced that it breaches section 19V(2) of the Local Electoral Act (the +/- 1-% rule) in four out of the seven constituencies.

Please ensure the representation is fair and equal across Canterbury and please also ensure that any new such rule or regulation protects or environment and not the financial interest of any industry.

Kind regards,

Mariann Matai

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Sent from my Android device with K-9 Mail. Please excuse my brevity.