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Subject: Democratic Representation for 2019 must be restored
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To all Councillors at ECan,

I write in order to make you aware of my concerns and my objections to the proposals ECan have made which affect my democratic right of representation. I understand that the council are taking objections to their proposal until 5pm this Friday (28th).

- I object to the proposal for Representation for the 2019 elections.
- It is an unbalanced and anti-democratic proposal that greatly over represents rural voters and under represents urban voters.
- The proposal would make the power of a vote in Central Christchurch 40% less than a vote in South Canterbury.
- 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 +/- 10% rule) in four out of the seven constituencies.

regards

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