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Submission: I object strongly to council amalgamations for the following reasons:

- 1: Councils are currently of a size which allows voters to know their representatives personally.
- 2: This exercise has NOT WORKED IN MELBOURNE
- 3: Brisbane has a mega council but also has responsibility for transport etc whereas NSW councils will not. They'll have no extra control or responsibility, so no benefit.
- 4: the amount of time and money spent without achieving any benefit.
- 5: Independents will not be able to represent us as campaigns will be too costly.
- 6: There is no evidence that there will be any benefit to anyone but the major political parties.
- 7: This exercise appears to be focusing on the City of Sydney
- 8: No cost-benefit analysis
- 9: If any level of government needs reforming it is the state level which is completely unnecessary.