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VIA ECFS

Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 Twelfth Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: *Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. §160(c) to
Accelerate Investment in Broadband and Next-Generation Networks
(WC Docket No. 18-141)*

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Pursuant to the Protective Order in the above-captioned proceeding, enclosed please find Acknowledgments of Confidentiality for the purpose of reviewing Confidential and Highly Confidential Information as outside counsel for USTelecom.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Brian W. Murray

Attachments

cc: SpecialAccess@fcc.gov

APPENDIX**Acknowledgment of Confidentiality****WC Docket No. 18-141**

I am seeking access to ☐ only Confidential Information or ☒ Confidential and Highly Confidential Information.

I hereby acknowledge that I have received and read a copy of the foregoing Data Collection Protective Order in the above-captioned proceedings, and I understand it.

I agree that I am bound by the Data Collection Protective Order and that I shall not disclose or use Stamped Confidential Documents, Stamped Highly Confidential Documents, Confidential Information, Highly Confidential Information, or Highly Confidential Data except as allowed by the Data Collection Protective Order.

I acknowledge that a violation of the Data Collection Protective Order is a violation of an order of the Federal Communications Commission (Commission). I further acknowledge that the Commission retains its full authority to fashion appropriate sanctions for violations of this Data Collection Protective Order, including but not limited to suspension or disbarment of Counsel or Consultants from practice before the Commission, forfeitures, cease and desist orders, and denial of further access to Confidential or Highly Confidential Information in this or any other Commission proceeding.

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I certify that I have verified that there are in place procedures at my firm or office to prevent unauthorized disclosure of Confidential Information and Highly Confidential Information.

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