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Via ECFS
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

As a longtime rural resident, I depend on my local broadband provider, Mendocino Community Network, for phone & internet. I am a senior on fixed income whose access to family, community resources, medical facilities, etc would be threatened by price hikes.

Locally owned & operated MCN serves my remote area, bounded by ocean & forested hills, accessible by only a few major roads. Weather (or geological) events can & do interrupt power & communications to our area.

MCN's connectivity, & therefore mine, absolutely depends on access to AT & T via copper cable.

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