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

Dear FCC,

We are stuck with AT&T as our DSL internet service provider. Service is not only slow but often fails and disconnects. We had about a dozen breakdowns this winter alone. Their customer service suggests that rural customers are very low priority.

Living in a rural community, broadband service is essential to earning a living and keeping in touch. So much communication is internet based these days.

I support broadband competition. Another provider could easily improve the service we are receiving now and perhaps help AT&T see that they could improve their services.

Sincerely

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