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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 live in a rural area with only limited land line telephone and broadband access. We have a small vineyard, and use the internet for payroll submissions as well as market and viticulture research. The ability of smaller independent competitive providers to access critical last mile copper wire connections is vital to smaller competitive providers. Please insure that these providers continue to have access to these vital links.

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