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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,

Please save competitive telecom and leave the 1996 Telecommunications Act intact in its entirety. We cannot afford the price hikes that dismantling or chipping away at this legislation would lead to as a result of the recent petition. I hope you deeply consider this request. Living in a more rural area (Medford, OR) having local providers is essential and non-negotiable. Thank you.

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