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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,

My family lives in a small rural community in the Columbia Gorge Area and without the local service provider we would be without internet service, end of story. I am writing to urge you NOT to cut off Rural America.

Several years ago, my neighbors and I looked into other internet options and we're told by a larger carrier that they needed X number of customers committed to sign on before they could provide service to the area. We fell significantly short of the minimum.

In closing, I urge to remember the negative impact the US Telecom Association's petition will have on rural communities.

Thank you,

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