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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 support small companies like my local internet provider, Gorgenet, in Oregon's Columbia Gorge by NOT allowing rates to be hiked and for local competitive carriers to stay alive. I'm in a rural community that depends on Gorgenet. It has served us well and I would hate to think that they would no longer be a competitive option. PLEASE keep the local providers alive!

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