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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,

Competition is healthy. It keeps the price competitive and affordable. Raising the cost will deprive many rural communities of service because it will make it prohibitive for small rural providers to exist. Monopolies raise prices because they can. Like Health care. How can you do this when you are encouraging rural coverage?

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