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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,

In rural areas like ours, there is already too little choice in internet access and telecom services and we feel the petition presently before the FCC serves to lessen our options, not improve our access. I believe rates will go up once Century Link is our only other choice and Gorge Net provides better service in our area and higher speed DSL presently. This threatens other small local providers, I would think, and I certainly don't want to be forced to choose a company I don't want. I urge you to oppose any petition that benefits USTelecom Ass'n. at the expense of small local companies.

Thank you.

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