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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,

I respectfully request that the FCC reject the United States Telecom Associations petition to end non-discriminatory rate-setting requirements per Section 251 of the Communications Act for unbundled broadband infrastructure.

This will have adverse effects on rural areas, such as I live in. Already the existing large carriers such as Comcast and AT&T refuse to serve our areas and try to prevent smaller carriers from doing so.

For example, wireline phone carriers like AT&T will be able to raise rates for smaller carriers needing to utilize their existing twisted-pair wireline infrastructure in rural areas to provide ADSL services.

Please leave existing regulations in place. Thank you!

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