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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 am writing to you on behalf Sunergy Engineering Services, PLLC. We are a solar engineering consulting company. We are a Gorge Networks customer, and we urge you not to grant USTelecoms petition. Sunergy uses internet and phone from Gorge.net.

We are very happy with our service with Gorge.net. The customer service is great and internet speed great and telephone service is very good pricing. They are our local provider, and we like it that way.

We feel it is very important to allow providers other than the big guys. When you live in a small town, internet and phone is your lifeline. We depend on local providers like Gorge.net. We must maintain the ability to allow competition beyond the big players to keep pricing competitive.

Please do not end the ability of providers like Gorge Networks to offer an alternative to the incumbent providers.

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