

Living in Vermont and working as a US Cellular Field Engineer enables me to see first hand the work wireless companies have on rural communities.

We have a huge impact on peoples' lives and well being. Access to Emergency Services E-911, weather and traffic information, and simply staying in contact with family and co-workers is extremely important to all Americans in all regions of the country.

We have both the means and the ability to service both city regions and rural regions. We also have a responsibility to do so. The wireless services provided in this country are no longer just a priveledge obtained by the few, but a right anyone, anywhere should have access to.

Most rural regions in Vermont in particular are way behind the wireless technology scale, even compared to some third world countries.

As an American citizen, I find that unacceptable. Taking away support to building out this infrastructure will only make it worse.

I ask you to please consider these thoughts. It's the right thing to do.

Thank you for your time.

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