The Honorable Ajit V. Pai, Chairman  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

Dear Chairman Pai:

We write with concerns about the ongoing Windstream bankruptcy proceedings and how it could impact our constituents here in Iowa.

Windstream has a large copper and fiber footprint in Iowa, and our constituents depend on the telecommunications services they receive through copper and fiber. The phone and internet connections Iowans receive through Windstream’s network are essential not only for personal and business use, but also for 911 services.

There is a risk that Windstream’s bankruptcy could lead to service disruption, which could cause irreparable harm to our constituents, and we wish to know what safeguards are in place at the FCC to ensure that Iowa consumers have a voice, and are not harmed by Windstream foregoing its network obligations. Additionally, we wish to know what measures are in place to ensure our constituents will be well informed of any possible disruption and have an opportunity to be prepared in the event that Windstream were to discontinue service.

Thank you for your time and attention to this urgent matter.

Sincerely,

Dave Loebsack  
Member of Congress

Cindy Axne  
Member of Congress

Abby Finkenauer  
Member of Congress