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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,

This is so critical. Never in our history have we depended so greatly on a communications infrastructure like the Internet. Regulations must ensure open access to markets to encourage substantial competition, and to enable local government to provide services as well. The current situation is unacceptable, where one or two providers have no competition.

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