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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,

Democracy is predicated on freedom, which includes freedom of choice. If there are no choices, do we still have a democracy in our country?

So, when you eliminate choices, from which we can choose, are you not eliminating our freedom?

Our society is based on capitalism, where the freedom of competition has enabled our country to advanced to be foremost in all aspects of life. What will happen when there is no longer any competition? Then, are we to have no freedom of choice? And, one or two offerings are not choices. It is a "take it or leave it" offer.

My statements may seem simplistic. But, shouldn't the simplistic statements be, first, answered before advancing to more intricate and complex issues?

Thank you.

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