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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,

As a homeowner in a small rural community, I have a choice among several providers for broadband and telephone service. I have chosen the small locally owned and operated provider because it offers not only competitive service, but offers it at a fraction of what the big national providers charge. Tech support is locally based also, and both very responsive and friendly (they are our neighbors...not some call center in the far east). Please protect local telecom service. Don't change the rules to allow the mega-corporations to kill productive competition.

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