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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,

I use a competitive provider in Berkeley California, and without access to competitive rates and service quality there would be no incentive in the market for the larger incumbents to provide high quality service. I've seen this first hand as I have had the luxury of trying three different providers over the years and watched service improve at them because of competition. In the 21st century broadband access of high quality, high reliability, and low cost is on par with utilities. It needs to work and be accessible for all citizens. So unless you plan to offer a nationalized system of broadband (which is probably a bad idea), please please keep competition alive to keep improving the quality and pricing of this vital service.

Best Regards,

Dan Widmaier