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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 am writing in opposition to USTelecom's petition to dismantle key components of the 1996 Telecommunications Act. I rely on a smaller, more local provider; I love the service they provide and am happier to be supporting a smaller, more local business.

I oppose price hikes that will increase the cost of internet and telephone services, and will make it more difficult for smaller companies to compete.

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