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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 a consumer who supports broadband competition. I was previously with a telecom provider that provided slow service for a high fee. Other countries have much faster internet with much lower costs. I finally found a provider that gives fast fiber connection speeds at a lower cost than DSL with my previous provider. However, if this petition passes, that provider will be affected and so will I. Reducing competition will raise prices which is inequitable. Internet access needs to be affordable (if not free!) to all income levels, since it has now become the norm and expected that everyone have access.

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