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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 Commissioners,

Please do not undercut Internet service to the general public by gutting the requirements for competition in local broadband services. I understand that the mega-broadband providers have petitioned the FCC to gut this legislation. PLEASE DO NOT DO THIS!

Already the monopolists (and aspiring monopolists) leave rural communities in the lurch. They stick all of their customers with subscription options that are wholly predatory with respect to personal privacy, and unaccountable on price. Only by preserving competition can smaller providers who have an appropriate respect for their customers remain in the marketplace.

Already the IT monopolists crippled brick-and-mortar retail. Please do not let this happen to broadband access, too.

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