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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,

Competition is the key to healthy capitalism. Thus, I choose a competitive provider.

I say NO to price hikes that will increase the cost of internet and telephone services. Broadband is critical to where I live. I have fiber today but was previously connected with competitive DSL. I also have competitive telephone service.

I urge you NOT to cater to incumbent providers and cut off competitive access, limiting our ability to choose a competitive provider. Residential consumers like myself will most definitely be affected by this, because my carrier uses unbundled copper and inter-city fiber transport elements (UNEs) to compete in the residential marketplace.

If you cater to incumbent providers, I will lose both my phone and internet service, as I will not be able to afford service from other providers.

A competitive market ensures that consumers will have access to better prices. Incumbent carriers want to change that and limit our access to choose the best possible service at the best possible price.

I urge you to NOT allow this to happen. Thank you.

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