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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,

I have been using the internet since the early 1990s, when I was just a kid. As time went by, I became more interested in computers, and I now work as a software engineer and participating member of the IETF (Internet Engineering Task Force). Needless to say, I spend a lot of my time thinking about the internet and internet access. In addition to that, the internet is crucial for me, as I work from home, and could not communicate with my team around the world if it were not for reliable, fast internet access.

I am currently a customer of a CLEC (Competitive Local Exchange Carrier), because the big two options for internet access (AT&T and Comcast, in my case) are horrible choices - bad customer service, bad products, spying on their customers, and injecting ads into websites visited by their customers (when the website is not even controlled by the ISP)! In fact, when my wife and I were purchasing our current home, the availability of a CLEC was one factor we took into account when deciding on neighborhoods to look at.

Dont reduce choice to further line the pockets of businesses that are already raking in giant profits. For the sake of American business competitiveness and for the sake of the American people, preserve broadband competition!