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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 live in an area with only one true broadband provider and the speeds and uptime I receive have stagnated for the last five years while my cost has almost doubled, in addition to the addition of a ton of consumer-unfriendly add-ons (bandwidth caps, DNS injection, etc). Please let small ISPs compete with the incumbents. That's capitalism!