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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 currently have access to a single ISP, Comcast, that provides in California 30 miles from the nursery of the Internet service less reliable and responsive than that I received from a local provider in Hawaii, thousands of miles from the mainland and East Asia. Local broadband providers will offer me modern Internet infrastructure befitting a country as wealthy and technologically sophisticated as the United States. Stifling competition to increase the profits of incumbent providers merely suppresses market-driven innovation and investment our country needs.

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