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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 among broadband providers is critical for keeping rates competitive and not exorbitant for individuals and small businesses; Please do not allow just one or two providers to dominate the market and hike prices on people who deserve to have competitive prices, speeds and service.

Last October we had devastating wildfires here in Santa Rosa. We used our broadband to keep track of the fires, to check many times each day and see if our home was still standing. Without broadband, this would not have been possible. With our old DSL service, we never would have been able to connect.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Richard Addison