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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,

It is imperative that the monopoly broadband providers like AT&T have competition by smaller providers. I recently, after years of being overcharged and under-served by AT&T, was able to find an internet provider that offered me what I wanted at a reasonable price.

I left AT&T and declined Comcast and their high priced overkill options for broadband and tv for the services I desired at half the price. If this option was not available I don't know what I would do.

As a federal agency charged with protecting the people and insuring good and affordable communication services you must defend the small service providers that offer we consumers what we need.

For decades the AT&T, Bell systems have reaped the benefits of federal funding and this allowed them to build the infrastucture that they operate today. Let the smaller providers utilize the last mile equipment to meet the needs of we consumers.

Thank you

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