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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,

There is a reason that monopolies are outlawed. They hurt consumers. You are a consumer. I am a consumer. To eliminate broadband competition would be to hurt ourselves and ultimately all in the USA. Our lives are so entangled with the Internet today that is hardly a choice whether or not to use it. Please do the right thing and support broadband competition. Thank you.

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