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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 chose a local ISP because they offered better service at a better price than the large, national companies.

They are also innovators, offering me services that no one else does. An open, competitive environment allows the market to create new solutions at a fair price.

Unfortunately, the large companies who own local infrastructure want to limit competition. Instead of providing compelling services, they want a monopoly. We've seen how services stagnate when there is no competition. Please block any moves that prevents the market from working.

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