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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 competitive local provider because they provide better value to consumers and they provide local jobs for my friends and neighbors. I've also found my local provider to be more responsive (not to mention, more polite) when there is a problem.

I would greatly resent being forced to give my hard earned money to a mega-provider who doesn't care about me, my business, or my community.

I'm a community college teacher, and I teach online courses. Affordable, responsive broadband service is critical to me, my students, and my community.

I was appalled at the FCC's decision on net neutrality; kindly at least let consumers choose to continue to support ethical, affordable local companies. Thank you.

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