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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 am a consumer who supports broadband competition. I currently have a local provider, by choice - I was anxious to support a local provider that would provide me with personal service at a fair price. I had had previous experience with a non-local provider who I felt did not value my business and was not responsive to me when issues came up. Competition is important so that as consumers we have some power - when I was unhappy with the service of my previous provider I was able to choose a different one (and I am very happy with my current provider). I ask that you please allow this competition to continue so that we consumers are empowered to choose local providers at a reasonable price.

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