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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 use a competitive provider for my internet and phone service who is vastly superior to service I used to have with AT&T. I think competition is good for consumers.

I use my provider's services in my small business and couldn't afford higher fees. It would hurt my small business considerably. My internet and phone service are critical for me being able to run my business.

I used to have DSL and now have broadband which is faster and makes my business run more efficiently.

Please don't change things that squeeze smaller service providers out of business. Isn't the US supposed to support small businesses? Please don't let AT&T and US Telecom badger you into taking things away that work for all the "little guys" both the service providers and the consumers, like me, who want to use their services.

Thank you.

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