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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 strongly support the Bridge2Broadband initiative for local competitive internet providers!
I want the right to choose a competitive, local broadband provider. Affordable, local broadband is critical to my work.
I say NO to price hikes that will increase the cost of internet and telephone services.
I want to STOP Big Telephone companies like AT&T from raising prices and cutting off competition.

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