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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 writing to inform you that I support broadband competition. Im opposed to big corporations, such as AT&T creating monopolies where they can drive up prices and cause consumers to be stuck with them. AT&T already joined with DirectTV, a cable company that was notorious for luring you in and then raising your bills ridiculously year after year.

We are a family on a budget in a small town in rural America and small town invested companies, such as ideaTek, are crucial to allow us to have and afford broadband service. We would rather have local broadband service than big monopolies providing our service. There is something to be said about customer service and small companies provide that because they are truly invested. Id rather go without broadband than to invest and use a large corporate broadband provider.

Please allow small market, locally owned, and truly invested providers to continue to do just that, provide for their communities. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,  
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