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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,

Competitive Internet and Telephone providers are crucial to me as an end user because of price and quality. Not only do I find my small provider to offer more reliably fast and stable internet but the technical support and added features are far superior to those offered by the larger providers.

Further, both the long distance phone rates and the monthly fees for phone and internet are lower than what I would have to pay elsewhere.

Please do not restrict these competitive smaller companies from accessing the critical infrastructure they need to provide their full range of competitive services.

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