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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,

Local providers are building new fiber networks to bring faster speeds. Competition builds the future!

In many communities, local providers are the ONLY connections rural communities have to the internet. Dont cut off Rural America!

Big telephone companies are seeking deregulation, so they could levy a massive price hike on all broadband customers.

That attitude describes the part of our capitalist economic system that I don't like, the cut-throat attitude that raises prices on customers and doesn't recognize that reasonable profits can be made from fair-pricing!

Please let me keep my Local Internet Provider!

History is watching you !

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