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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 have been a subscriber to the services of a small, independent ISP in our community for many years. This small ISP provides much better service than AT&T, which also provides internet service in our community. If there is a problem with service, someone is immediately available to help. If you need to set up your phone to get emails, you can take it in and get help from the tech staff.

We understand that the FCC is considering granting the giant telecoms (ie. AT&T, Verizon and Centurylink) forbearance from the copper line sharing requirements of the 1996 Telecommunications Act. We ask that you reject this proposal so that companies like our ISP provider can stay in business.

Consumers never benefit from the movement of the economy towards monopoly. Why does every decision of your agency now have to be toward making the big corporations more wealthy and everyone else suffering.

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