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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 live in Berkeley, CA and use a local internet provider with a copper hard wire phone service. The service has been extremely reliable and at a lower cost than competition from national providers.

I urge you to protect our local providers and not reduce competition for these important functions by reducing safeguards for their operations.

Yours truly,

Arthur Braufman