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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 an individual who lives in a fairly rural, small town. We have two internet providers in our town (one cable and one DSL), neither of which provide consistently reliable and affordable access to the internet. Luckily, we have a local provider who is trying to build a new fiber network to serve individuals in our community. Interestingly, as soon as this competition began to launch, my current ISP reduced my price by nearly 40%. However, the bandwidth I have access to still is not on par with what the local provider will be offering at a similar price.

Please support the Bridge 2 Broadband. It is only through competition that innovation and affordability are inspired.

Thank you.

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