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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**

To whom it may concern at the FCC:

STICK TO THE FCC's STRATEGIC GOALS:  
#1 Promoting Economic Growth and National Leadership  
#2 Protecting Public Interest Goals  
#3 Making Networks Work for Everyone  
#4 Promoting Operational Excellence

Affordable, fast Internet connectivity for households and businesses in the United States is paramount to Americans continuing to be a major player in the world's economic stage. It helps educate our children, connect our families and communities, allows businesses flourish and grow, and makes the world a much smaller place. Help America to stay at the forefront of this revolution. Competition is healthy, needed and important for Internet Service Providers to keep them honest, allow disruption with new technology by smaller ISPs, and give the citizens and businesses of the United States options for who they purchase their Internet access from.

Please don't let large companies with huge lobbying pockets that control the physical pathways to our homes, non-profits, research facilities, local governments and businesses sway you! Some have benefited for many decades, or a century. If they don't have it right yet, don't stifle the disruptors that will force change.

I've used every technology to receive Internet starting with 300 baud modems, to ISDN, DSL and now Fiber. Gigabit speeds is the future and is the enabler for the future.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

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