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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,

It is imperative that you support and encourage competition between Internet providers. Internet service is a necessity in our inter-connected world. Consumers clearly have too few choices when it comes to securing Internet service. All too often AT&T and/or Comcast dominate single markets. It is very disturbing that they are now throttling access speeds. This does not serve the citizenry.

I am fortunate to live in the San Francisco Bay Area where I am able to use a small carrier other than the AT&T or Comcast. I purchase both Internet and unlimited telephone service and am very happy with it. As an imaging and web specialist, this service is critical to my home and business. Customer service from my local provider far exceeds that of the major carriers AND the prices are lower and the service more reliable.

Please do your utmost to preserve competition among Internet service providers.

Thank you.

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