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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 a current customer of a local, competitive internet provider. The large companies available in my area have been unreliable, provide subpar service and even rose customer interface.

The local provider has provided a better product and has also been much easier and helpful to deal with.

I even pay more for their service over the major companies offering better prices for far worse service.

I urge you not to let these huge companies block local competitors. it will only allow them to become monopolies, holding everyone captive to their rate hikes and poor product and service. That's not what a free market is about; that's really not what any market should be about, even a regulated one. Don't allow Comcast and AT&T to become monopolies, bullying customers into using only their services.

Local competitors should be allowed to have a fair shot, and if they provide a better service, they should be encouraged to succeed. For the sake of the American consumer, don't allow AT&T and Comcast (and other major corporations) use their deep pockets to shut down legitimate competitors.

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