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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,

Competition is a tax free way to keep companies of every size honest. Competition is how we help keep free markets free and free speech free.

I am currently with an independent small network provider because even though my internet is slower than I used to get from a large cable company, I got tired of the predatory pricing practice of the larger companies. I want the option to go somewhere else to keep those companies honest.

In order for free market to work we must have the ability to have competitive environments. Large companies make arguments that less competition is good for consumers because it is more efficient and cheaper, which could be true, but what we actually find is that in a vacuum prices go unchecked and those large companies spread the profits only among their share holders.

The area I live in only has three internet providers, this would kill 33% of the competition in my whole area and more in the surrounding areas as I live in a town of 20k and am surrounded by smaller farming communities.

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