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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,

For the last 5 years, AT&T raised my land line rate every time it came up for renewal, even though I had their service for 30+ years and even though there were no improvements to the service. Fortunately, I was able to switch to LMI, a local provider, to use the same copper telephone lines at a 25% reduced cost. The job of government is to discourage and prevent monopolies. In order to prevent monopolies, the FCC needs to allow local companies, such as LMI, to use existing lines to offer competitive services. Telephone lines, cable lines, etc., are located in public spaces, and therefore should be accessible by everyone. Thank you!

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