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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,

As both a consumer and the founder of a small business, I am strongly opposed to the USTelecom petition. Competition is vital to a healthy market for essential communications services such as broadband internet. There is little or no meaningful competition in many markets, such as the San Francisco Bay Area where I live and work. Please expand the ability of ISPs to purchase and to use each others' excess capacity, expanding opportunities and bringing down prices for everyone.

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