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Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
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**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**

FCC,

I switched to a local internet provider last year providing fiber in my area. I now get 10 times the speed at lower cost from a company that treats me as a valued customer. Before this, I was stuck with Comcast DSL providing poor customer service, slow speeds, constant rate increases, and high pressure to bundle other services I did not want.

I depend on reliable, responsive, affordable internet connection for telecommuting to work, personal business and communications, and home entertainment.

We need to encourage competition by smaller, hungry providers so we small consumers have the ability to vote with our wallets. Changes to the Communications Act restricting competitive access could kill a nascent innovative industry of small businesses.

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