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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,

The beauty of American enterprise is that it is based on competition that all entities have an opportunity to compete for business. That competition is what gives entrepreneurs the opportunity to jumpstart new ideas and open up business opportunities that provide creative and new products for our country. Our core American belief is that anyone can jumpstart new products and compete for business based on new, creative ideas and that even the smallest enterprise can enter the competitive market and successfully compete for business. Many of our largest, and most successful, companies started out as small, localized "mom & pop" companies.

However, that entrepreneurial spirit is now threatened by large conglomerates who suck up smaller, and competitive, companies, preventing those small, but creative, companies from growing and competing in the market.

One such case is what we are seeing now with the larger conglomerate internet service providers consuming smaller, but quite creative, entities. These larger entities threaten the creative spirit upon which our country thrives and innovates.

By threatening, consuming, and taking over the smaller internet providers they are killing the competitive spirit that brings us new ideas and the opportunity to promote more competition. We must continue supporting smaller, and more creative, internet companies that bring lower priced services, creativity, and the entrepreneurial spirit to our country.

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