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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,

DO NOT accept the USTelecom petition to forbear the Telecommunications Act of 1996.

Do you really think that ATT, Verizon and Comcast are going to decide NOT to squeeze out the smaller competitors given the chance? Then, with an even more complete monopoly, decide NOT to increase consumers' bills? That is what big companies do - try to maximize their profits and decrease costs! There is zero incentive for a big company to increase coverage and keep rates low if they lack competition. Internet is a modern necessity. Laws like TC96 exist to limit the ability of these companies to engage in monopolistic opportunism for a utility we all need.

Do not bow to TC industry pressure. Say NO!

Sincerely,

A customer of a small competitive broadband provider who provides extremely good, yet cheap, internet.

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