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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,

"In the residential marketplace, competition will not be materially affected by forbearance from Section 251(c)(3) because there is effectively no remaining UNE-based competition in that marketplace." - USTelecom

I note that USTelecom is making an erroneous claim that residential consumers -- that's me -- will not be affected, because there are no carriers that use unbundled copper and inter-city fiber transport elements (UNEs) to compete in the residential marketplace.

This statement is untrue: a full economic study disagrees with USTelecom on this key point.

Residential subscribers do exist and would be "materially affected" by these proposed profound changes. I am disabled and conduct much of my life online and wish to continue with my current independent carrier for all telecom services.

I subscribe to my local, competitive provider, receive excellent, personal service, and request that the FCC not destroy local businesses throughout the country, so ATT and Verizon can grab a monopoly, raise prices, and perhaps let their service quality slip.

I strongly urge you to strongly support Section 251(c)(3). That is good and fair policy.

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