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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,

I chose a competitive provider, and I'm glad I did. I am a small business owner who believes in the free market; my broadband fiber is more efficient and reliable now than it was when I was stuck with the major provider, connected by DSL. With telephone service as well.

There are many consumers as well as small business people who rely on "competitive providers" for their internet and telephone systems. Yes, we do exist, and we say "NO" to price hikes that will increase the cost of these services.

Thank you for taking the time to read this - time is money, and I hope the time I have spent registering my position here is as valuable as I find my provider to be.

Most efficient and economicaly yours,

MaryAnn Furda