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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,

Broadband is an incredibly important resource in this digital age. Our family selected a local company in our area, LMI, as our internet carrier because we value small businesses and appreciate the values LMI focuses on as a company in our community.

We want choices for internet services--and we want LMI as well as other smaller locally-oriented companies to be able to offer fiber. It is ridiculous to have only 1 or 2 choices for internet. Please maintain competition so that consumers, like my family, can receive services we value.

Limiting choices will mean higher costs on our internet services---and since we live in a very expensive part of the country this is an extreme concern.

Thank you--please maintain competition and support of local companies who are invested and committed to our local communities!

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