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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,

Competition is good. Unbundled Copper is still being used by competition. I have used DSL in the past and believe the competition is needed. Do not go forward with US Telecom's petition to dismantle the 1996 Telecommunication Act. I need this service and being in a rural area, my choices are limited both on providers and speed. It is the smaller company Sonic that cared and has really made it both affordable and efficient for my internet service. I had used the local big company Comcast but had lots of issues with speed and constant connectivity. They also charged large prices for a phone line which I didn't even use often. The only other option has been Dish which is teamed up with Comcast which would be the same service provider company in fact. This act is still essential to many customers as myself and the petition WILL effect me and all those costumers that they are dismissing. By removing UNE's you are essentially creating a monopoly for the larger carriers. Removing the competitors will make the service and quality in many areas suffer. Please don't do it!

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