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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 am an individual consumer in California who supports broadband competition. I switched from ATT Dial-up to Sonic Fusion several years ago and now to Race Communications primarily to have a faster internet and to save money on internet and phone services in our rural neighborhood. I understand you are considering changes to the 1996 telecom act that would no longer allow my carrier to have access to unbundled network elements (UNEs) and/or services (that they can resell) from incumbent local exchange carriers (ILECs) at rates prescribed by state regulatory commissions.

I also understand that USTelecom claims there is no material UNE based competition, which can't be true, because me and my carrier are material, and my carrier is an UNE based competitor.

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