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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 a small business owner in rural california without many internet options.

The petition submitted to the FCC by the US Telecom Association will not be good for competition and the free market. Please do not let at&t get more powerfull and take away our options to internet.

The petition, if YOU allow it to be passed, will eliminate the right of independent carriers to serve customers on copper lines, and to use fiber to connect our networks around the state.

Please do not sell-out! Keep independence in the structure for internet providers.

Thanks,
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