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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,

The United States promotes a free capitalistic society where several competitors may enter and leave the marketplace to provide competitive prices and services to the public. Large telecommunication companies love deregulation by the FCC which eliminates or blocks competition.

The government is in the position to encourage competition and limit the monopolistic tendencies of larger providers to eliminate competition and charge higher prices and limited service at will.

Dismantling the Telecommunications Act of 1996 will limit if not outright eliminate competition in service and prices.

I have chosen to have service from a smaller provider because they provide more and better services at lower prices.

Broadband for me has become an essential communication tool for conducting essential family business and staying up on current events that affect the public and our family and not merely for entertainment such as watching videos.

Keep the competition alive and well by not changing the Telecommunication Act.

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