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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 user and big proponent of local ISP's. We have multiple providers in my area, and it serves nicely to engender competition, increase service offerings, and increase speed offerings. I realize I'm lucky to have multiple providers; it is not the case in most of the country.

I have fiber service now from Sonic (a local provider), but previously had cable data service using a small provider (Wave), and prior to that had DSL service from a local reseller. In all cases, having the options led to better service, better offerings, and lower cost for the user... all things I would want my government to prioritize over corporate profits.

Please do everything possible to support broadband competition. As in all things, competition = consumer benefit and monopoly = corporate benefit.

Thanks!

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