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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,

It is imperative that the internet service playing field be level, so that small internet providers can remain profitable and competitive in the ISP marketplace. If we let all the ISP services to become concentrated in a small number of large companies, pricing, innovation and openness would likely become compromised. Open, affordable and fast broadband is critical to a democratic society, and it is the duty of the FCC to ensure it remains that way.

Note that I currently use a small internet provider, which is giving my family innovations such as fiber internet, modern competitively priced telephone service, and if the backbone providers are allowed to throttle my small providers traffic, they will likely be unable to stay in business. Don't allow that to happen.

Thanks very much for your consideration,

Jonathan Loran