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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,

We oppose the USTelecom petition. Competition is critical to the US consumer.

Without the competition prices will rise out of control. We use the internet and telephone services daily. They are a critical way for us to communicate.

living on a fixed income keeping the cost of these services low and competitive is extremely important to us as senior citizens.

Please do not do anything that will jeopardize our ability to use the services provided by a competitive providers.

We have had DSL, and now have fiber thanks to a great provider giving us improved service and great customer service

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