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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 oppose the attempt by large internet/telephone companies to squeeze out small, local competition. We live in a rural community and rely on our local internet provider for our service. More importantly, it is our desire to support locally owned businesses, one of which is our internet provider. We have no desire to have to jump through all of the hoops that are part of parcel of large conglomerates who care little about customer service. Our locally owned internet provider provides quick, easy and caring service to its customers. What is more, we strongly believe in competition. By putting all of the internet "power" into the hands of a few large companies, not only does customer service suffer but prices increase and customers have no say.

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