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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,

My internet provider is a local company which is very important to me as they provide local jobs and keep the local economy healthy as they invest their profits locally. I support that. Their prices are competitive and they offer immediate personal customer service if I have a question or problem. No waiting or talking to someone from Mumbai.

My telephone service is also provided by a local company and I support this for the same reasons as above. Broadband competition is very important to me as I live in a semi-rural area and benefit from the affordable pricing that results. This benefit also extends to our local schools which mean more kids can have greater access to the internet.

Please do not approve price hikes that will increase the cost of my internet and telephone service. I am a senior citizen trying to get by on my fixed income.

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