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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,

Contributing to local, community businesses AND local enterprises is extremely important. Local economies contribute to larger economies. BUSINESS MUST be allowed to compete LARGE and SMALL -

NO ONE company should be allowed to monopolize any one communication stream - NO ONE. Without healthy competition innovation will cease - price hikes will continue to rise without question - consumers will have sub-par service - large conglomerates will not be required to recognize the larger community and the needs of EVERYONE within that community.

Internet and telephone service is essential to all people, institutions, businesses and governments. Accessible, affordable services is essential. Competition within these services is essential - We have tremendous services AS a small business with our LOCAL internet provider and very much want to continue with this service -

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