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Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
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**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,

With the introduction of symmetrical gigabit fiber in my area, the amount of options offered by main telecom companies in my area improved.

This is a welcome change that needs to be expanded upon to create a robust market where the consumers matter more. With monopolies lobbying to prevent outsiders from entering the community it really just makes it clear telecom giants have less to offer, with their broadband prices not being competitively priced. Smaller telecom companies focus their attention on the local communities and their dependence on a smaller group of potential customers mean they better understand the needs of us the consumers. They can adapt more quickly to provide the services we need.

By stifling competition the consumer loses!

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