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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 am a consumer that supports broadband competition and as such I am deeply disappointed that you are considering the petition by US Telecom to dismantle key components of the 1996 Telecommunications Act. Their claim that there are no remaining unbundled copper and inter-city fiber transport elements (UNE's) to compete in the residential marketplace is false. I am a real live person who falls exactly in this category.

Previously, I have been subscribing to competitive DSL and phone for several years and just 5 days ago I upgraded to fiber all with the same competitive carrier. I choose to subscribe to a competitive provider because they offer better services at a cheaper price.

Promoting and retaining competition prevents monopolies from forming and gives all consumers like myself access to vital broadband services that allow me to make a living, access government services, and seek healthcare without having to pay exorbitant prices for poor service due to a lack of choice in the marketplace. The FCC should not be in the business of supporting whoever donates the most lobbying dollars to politicians. I oppose this petition and I hope you will reject it as well for the good of all U.S. consumers.

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