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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,

Telecom regulations aren't about telephone voice conversations anymore. It's about broadband access. USTelecom's petition is going to significantly reduce competition for broadband internet access.

I have chosen a local ISP who is required to resell service from AT&T in our neighborhood. There is only one set of wires that were built into to my building and, being in the middle of a big city, there are never going to be new permits to let other companies build any more. Unless ILECs are required to allow competitors to use their wires, I would no longer have any choice for broadband service -- it would be AT&T or nothing.

Please deny USTelecom's forbearance request and keep some competition in the broadband industry!

Thank you.

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