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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 believe in maintaining broadband competition. We like thousands of others in the SF Bay Area receive our broadband internet and phone service through a local and small ISP that would cease to exist if competition is stifled by the USTelecom Petition to dismantle certain parts of the 1996 Telecommunications Act. We enjoy competitive rates and superior service offered by our small ISP and believe it is vital to maintain this competition in the internet broadband marketplace.

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