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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,

As someone who makes use of the Internet daily, I am strongly opposed to the U.S. Telecom Petition.

My ISP company is a small, local provider that gives competitive service at very reasonable prices. This would no longer be the case under the U.S. Telecom Petition.

My ISP also gives me more affordable land-line telephone service, which I need for my personal safety in times of natural disasters.

My local ISP is the only provider of broadband service that I can afford on my limited retirement income.

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