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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,

While most of the country is stuck with a monopoly or duopoly of ISP providers, I'm fortunate enough to be using a regional provider that provides better service. I also have an account with Comcast for a backup, so directly experience the differences between dealing with the local folks vs a national semi-monopoly.

It's critical for the future of the whole US economy to keep these local providers in business. Please don't grant AT&T and Comcast any rulings or "deregulation" that undermines local competition.

Thank you.

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