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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 support broadband competition. The system of granting regional monopolies to providers is fundamentally un-American. It's crony capitalism. It's rife with abuse.

I choose a competitive provider. I prefer an ISP that does not censor my content. I prefer an ISP that respects the principles of net neutrality, even when they are not compelled to by law. I prefer an ISP that actually delivers the bandwidth they promise.

Sadly, many Americans do not have this choice. I find that deeply disturbing.

The FCC seems to be confused about whether providers are competitive business, or utilities. If they are to be granted monopoly status, then they are utilities and should be regulated as such. If they are competitive businesses then the FCC should foster competition.

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