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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 oppose the USTelecom petition as I believe it would restrict what little competition there is in the broadband market. I feel the US economy is stronger as a free market. Without competition, the small number of large service providers have no incentive to provide faster or more reliable service, and customers such as myself have no option to vote with their feet and choose a different provider. Having seen the prevalence of high speed reliable fiber service in Europe and Asia, it is particularly embarrassing to live in a supposedly first world country which suffers from such poor connectivity. The FCC should be doing everything in its power to promote competition, not to stamp it out.

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