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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,

We cannot allow the big telecoms to be our only choice. Time and time again, they've shown that they are happy with the status quo -- and that status is one of mediocre speeds with higher prices than most of our developed allies. We're supposed to have competition via capitalism, but instead the industry seems to capitulate to just the top guys and act effectively with collusion.

The only choice is to keep competition alive, and we need our independents and upstarts as much as possible. They're the ones that will drive new products with new prices. Here in SF, I now have symmetric gigabit fiber for \$60/month with Sonic. There are several other independent companies, like Wave and Webpass that also are bringing fiber to the residents (albeit not symmetric gigabit at \$60/mo). Meanwhile AT&T, Comcast, etc. all keeps far higher prices with worse service & throttling.

Keep competition alive.

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