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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,

For my broadband internet connection to my home, a few years ago I switched from AT&T DSL service to a local internet service provider and I have been a happier customer ever since. I get better service and lower prices using my local ISP. Also I am confident my local ISP will maintain net neutrality regardless of whether the government allows AT&T and other large carriers to violate neutrality.

Currently I have DSL but I am hoping to get fiber from my local ISP in the near future.

I understand the US Telecom Association will make it more difficult for my local ISP to provide competitive service in my local area.

PLEASE DENY the petition. Competition is important in broadband. We need MORE competition, not less. Already there is far too much consolidation of telecom companies.

I will be very disappointed if you do anything that makes it more difficult or less profitable for ISPs like mine, to provide the services they do currently or in the future.

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