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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,

As a consumer who is saddled with 2 giant corporations who're doing everything they can to stifle any competition in the broadband market. That means AT&T and our provider Comcast , who are years behind in promised higher speed fiber installation are not providing download speeds and prices many 3rd world countries have had for years.

Now they want the power to throttle down any suggestion of competition so allowing them to charge higher prices for higher speeds. Plus Comcast has even practiced Bait & Switch when we were told by customer service we would receive a promotion for a year and twice found after 3 months there was a price increase that was honored but after another 3 months and another price increase there was no record of us receiving such a promotion.

There is a smaller competitive provider in our area known for their great customer service and competitive pricing, Sonic. We have been waiting years for them to grow beyond DSL in our area and AT&T is threatening to literally put them out of business by refusing them the use, under current law, of their equipment.

We also had AT&T phone service which proved to be too expensive and switched to Consumer Cellular for better pricing and customer service. Consumer Cellular also has to tie in with AT&T since there is so little competition in our country setting.

Because of our country setting any competition to the 2 steamrolling giants who want to crush any competition, is of extreme importance to all customers.

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