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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 am very concerned by the potential of loosing access to Broadband internet through my local provider as result of loosing provisions of the 1996 Telecommunications Act. I haven't written many letters to political entities, but this could drastically affect my ability to do my job, conduct my social life, and even continue my long term relationships.

For over 4 years I have been a customer of a local provider using these networks to give access to the internet for me and people like me. I considered the larger providers and they were not able to give me the same level of service, pricing, or guarantee the internet experience I was hoping for. It was only through a competitive marketplace that I was able to find the communications experience I needed.

It is essential that a few larger providers are not given the opportunity to monopolize the internet. While it is against our laws, our morals, and our history to allow such a thing, this is a measure seemingly intended to do just that. It takes away a service that larger companies used to get where they are so that no one else can reach that level and limits access to certain communities. They argue that people are not using the service except through them, but I and many people have and will continue to do so if you don't remove our ability to.

Please don't give access to our utilities only to those who were lucky enough to already have it. It could easily become a hardship for many Americans.

Thanks,

Alan Kline