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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 writing to you to oppose USTelecom's petition to dismantle key components of the 1996 Telecommunications Act.

I am a residential customer and use a small local broadband service provider, whose prices and customer service were key to my decision to choose them over a larger incumbent carrier such as AT&T, Verizon, and others. I have been a customer for over 5 years now.

Should this petition move forward, this will affect me directly, as the market will no longer have competitive DSL and as a result prices will hike and will affect my bottom line.

So I implore you to not approve the USTelecom petition as it is a huge step backwards for competition and it will eradicate consumer choice.

Thank you for your consideration.

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