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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, I wanted to write this letter to show that I support broadband competition.

Previously, I was stuck on a poor quality DSL connection with questionable phone service. I only had 2 real options for high speed internet - ATT or Comcast/Xfinity. The limitation was that I only wanted phone and internet service, but they insisted that I had to sign up for cable service as well as telephone just to get internet service. This would have bumped up my cost by at least \$50 a month for a service I did not want.

Because of broadband competition, I was able to use a smaller 3rd party that offered me with exactly what I wanted - just internet service at 1/2 of the cost.

This is critical for me because I use this to communicate with my financial institutions, my healthcare provider and family members overseas.

If you allow the USTelecom petition to continue, I will be forced to pay more money for services I don't want or don't need because my small ISP won't be able to compete.

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