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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,

We need competition in all aspects of business. If we do not have competition in the marketplace this will lead to unfair consumer practices where the local citizens will be forced to pay the large group or have no service. This has been the cable company for years, being able to gouge the consumer at will with no recourse. Since they are private and not public, they do not fall under the public utility commission guidelines, and even then this group really has no power.

We hate having continuing price hikes with no regulation. In our opinion, this should be run by the government and provided at a reasonable price. Look at companies like PG&E who can avoid paying the consumers for damages and declare bankruptcy and still increase rates to the consumers to cover their losses. They suffer no consequences for their actions.

With broadband in our community everyone has access to high speed internet without slow down. Sonic has provided the most reasonable and affordable way for our family to afford the internet and not feel we are getting priced out of the market for a passive service.

The cable and phone companies should be ashamed of themselves for what they are charging consumers, where they do not even maintain their infrastructure, yet continue to raise rates faster than the consumer cost of living.

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