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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 a consumer who strongly supports broadband competition.

I'm in a market that has just opened up to a new, smaller competitor, Sonic. Previously, I had been stuck with just two choices Comcast DSL, decent service when it worked but lousy customer service when it didn't and AT&T (inferior service).

So I was delighted when Sonic came along with fibre internet FASTER INTERNET at a LOWER PRICE with GREAT SERVICE. This is what competition makes possible for consumers. And that's why I oppose USTelecom's efforts to dismantle key components of the 1996 Telecommunications Act.

I rely on Sonic's service and this great company and its ability to serve me and other consumers would suffer were the protections of the 1996 Telecommunications Act were loosened.

Sincerely,

David Ourisman