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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,

Well, it should be very obvious that the major telecommunication giants are requesting this regulation change for their own benefit--as it will stifle any competition for other new Internet providers.

Young companies, like Sonic, need some support to develop into companies worthy of competition with large established suppliers who have had decades to establish their dominance.

The upshot of all of this is to keep the playing field level (keep the copper wire requirements) so that competition can indeed thrive--and both consumers and suppliers benefit by providing more than one or two choices.

We don't want the world to be dominated by a few huge corporations who put everybody else at their mercy, especially residential and rural consumers. Personally I was SO HAPPY I didn't have to deal with predatory pricing of Comcast or poor service and Internet speeds of the existing AT&T when Sonic came into my neighborhood--never mind it helped drive my service costs down via competition.

This is about fairness to the competition and helping to protect consumers from price and service gouging--and isn't that what America is supposed to be about?

Thank you,

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