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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 have been using a local, independent provider for both residential voice and data services for several years. I switched to them after AT&T raised the price for my voice service and Comcast did likewise for data service. I have been pleased with Sonic (my current provider) both by the quality of their service and the stability of their pricing. Please reject the petition that USTelecom has sent to you for consideration. I believe that more concentration of these vital residential services in the hands of a few big companies will result in higher prices and poorer service for us customers.

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