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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,

Please support broadband competition. I chose Sonic.net for my service in Belmont California. We have a limited numbers of choices here, and as a UC trained economist, my professional opinion is that competition is better for consumer pricing. As the late William F Baxter has proved with the break-up of the Bell operating companies, allow all sizes of broadband firms to compete on a level playing field. Cell phones were not around in the 80's, look at what Prof. Baxter has given us from a services perspective. Lots of firms, pricing plans and innovation driven by competition.

I have a small consulting business and having fast internet service would help me build it in the future. I currently have DSL and the move to fiber is critical for the survival of my business.

Sincerely yours,

Alan Franzen