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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 like competitors for internet service. I have had way better service from Sonic who is a small company than I ever got from Comcast that is a large company. Not only did the smaller company cost less but they have quickly fixed issues and the actual speed is better for some reason than Comcast was even though they share lines. I believe small companies treat and give focus to smaller customers who are in the outskirts of their main infrastructure much more as large corporations typically have a tolerance of some errors that they find acceptable even if they could fix it. It is the local companies that support the rural areas that do not have as big of a voice. We are in a rural part of Sonoma where the area has limited internet options. Not having competitors and small local companies in the internet and phone service will seriously hurt the residence in my area. Please do not allow large companies push out the competitors as local broadband providers are crucial!

Thank you,

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