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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 currently use Sonic to provide DSL and landline telephone service, and am looking forward to upgrading to gigabit fiber as they implement this across San Francisco. Switching to Sonic from AT&T increased my internet speed approximately 5X while lowering my monthly bill. Telephone and internet services are high across the US relative to other technologically-advanced countries, and reducing competition does nothing to help bridge this gap. Reliable and affordable telecommunications services are important to my family for educational, business, and entertainment purposes. Please support competitive telecommunications service providers by maintaining (or enhancing) access to unbundled network elements.

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