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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 an alternate broadband customer at a company called Sonic for more than 5 years. I greatly appreciate their ability to provide excellent service as a local provider of broadband services at an affordable rate. I would be sorry to see their rates go up and their ability to provide the superior service that they currently afford their customer base at the whim of the larger internet providers who wish to corner the market and control pricing and offering inferior service simply because they are the only providers available. Competition, a fair playing field, and an open market place for goods and services is what has made this country great. It would be sad and detrimental to our society to see monopolies take over the marketplace offering few options for people of limited means and new companies getting started because of the limited access to communication systems.

Sincerely,

Joel Horowitz