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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,

Universal broadband access is critical for democracy to thrive. Our family has chosen a competitive provider - "Sonic" - because we know that a monopoly, by its very nature, cannot put the consumer first.

Please keep the internet competitively free, and protect Americans from monopoly companies. No digital divide in a democratic republic!

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