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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 am a consumer who has chosen to use Sonic.net for my internet and phone service. It is not fair to only have 1 or maybe 2 choices for these essential services. After having years of bad service and high costs from the major companies, we decided to switch around 9 years ago and are so happy we have done so.

Having the competitively priced alternative has been essential to my family's ability to work at home (both my husband and I do this) and stay connected to family and friends.

While I'll still have options if you de-regulate, I'm extremely concerned that you will be cutting off options for rural communities. There are already too many disparities and now this communication barrier will be even greater.

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