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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,

Our family switched from AT&T to Sonic, a local provider, because we were tired of the deplorable service and continual rate hikes from AT&T. Sonic provides our telephone and internet service. We are VERY happy with Sonic and are glad that a smaller local carrier was finally able to get into the market that AT&T had monopolized in San Francisco for so long.

Paulann is an illustrator and graphic designer so having a large bandwidth is very important in handling large files. Sometimes DSL (our current service) is not really good enough to allow a smooth work flow.

We cannot stress enough how much we believe in healthy competition. Isn't that what the antitrust laws are about? Now it seems that AT&T is making an attempt to recapture the San Francisco market and do what they want with service and price hikes.

We currently are connected to the internet via DSL service and have been waiting a long time to get upgraded to fiber. We recently learned from an AT&T flyer that our neighborhood now has fiber,. However, our local provider, Sonic is unable to purchase that service from AT&T and now I know why!!!

Please DENY AT&T's petition to squeeze out local competitive carriers. I would really HATE to go back to AT&T and to be held hostage to their so-called service at whatever price they choose to charge.

Thank you for your consideration.

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