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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,

We live in the far western edge of San Francisco, near Ocean Beach. In 2004 we chose a smaller, more local internet company for our internet service and also for our land line telephone service. We felt it was important to help support smaller businesses. We have been receiving internet service from Sonic.net, based in Santa Rosa, since 2004. We have always been very happy with their service, and appreciate being able to choose a smaller, competitive provider as opposed to one of the mega-monopoly businesses.

We started out with DSL service from Sonic, but as their technology opportunities grew and upgraded, so did our service. We currently have service with fusion fiber optics. This has been a really good thing for our internet use, especially living out in the most western section of San Francisco where connectivity of any kind used to be tricky. Like most people we use our computer a lot for business matters, socializing and a great deal for streaming services from companies like Netflix, Hulu, and non-cable HBO. We have never subscribed to cable TV which we feel is cost prohibitive. We also still use our land line telephone as our main phone.

Without the current local competition for internet service, we would be forced to pay much higher prices for the same services and may be forced to add on expensive cable service. We, personally, would not be inclined to accept this route. We are urging you, the FCC, to deny ATT and USTelecom's petition to take away access to critical unbundled network elements which are critical to Sonic.net's and other's fiber deployment; the very technology that allowed them to grow, expand and compete at a rate that we, the customers, can afford. Allowing competitive providers in this business is good for everyone.

Thank you for your consideration in this very important matter.

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