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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,

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Please preserve broadband competition. Broadband internet access has become an essential service for typical households.

I live in the San Francisco Bay Area. In my neighborhood broadband access is dominated by a duopoly: DSL from AT&T and cable access from the local cable TV provider. We used to get DSL service from AT&T. AT&T was expensive, with slow downloads, and very poor service when something went wrong. Fortunately there is an alternative - we switched to Sonic. Sonic provides a faster connection at a lower price. And Sonic's service is much better than what we got from AT&T. In the few cases where we had a connection problem I was able to reach a technician in the Santa Rosa office immediately. And when I have a question about the service I can get an answer by email within an hour or two. AT&T never came close to that kind of service.

Free enterprise depends on competition. Unfortunately some companies would rather have a monopoly. Don't let that happen - reject attacks on broadband competition!

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