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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 live in a rural area that had limited options for high speed internet until Sonic.net provided a service called Fusion that used ATT lines. Race Communications recently came to the area and through use of a grant provided fiber optic internet service which is a wonderful improvement to broadband usage in my house. We had and have no Comcast nor advanced ATT internet service. Neither company was interested in providing rural residents with high speed service. It was only the smaller companies like Race and Sonic who depend on some of ATT's infrastructure who would do so.

I urge the FCC to maintain fair competition and not allow Comcast and ATT to overpower smaller providers.

Thanks

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