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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 write to urge you to reject a petition from USTelecom to take away access to critical unbundled network elements. These unbundled elements are critical last-mile copper and inter-city backhaul; the very technology that allows other utility providers to grow and expand fiber deployment.

I have the pleasure of being a customer of an internet provider called Sonic. Located in Northern California, Sonic has been a reliable provider of fiber optic internet service, at speeds that are higher and prices that are lower than larger communications giants. Sonic was able to connect customers like me with technology over unbundled AT&T copper lines, and now they are building their own gigabit fiber network to as many locations as quickly as we can. Today one third of Sonic customers are connected with Sonic fiber. That's how the 1996 Telecommunications Act is supposed to work: enabling competitive market entry and encouraging new fiber network deployment.

Please uphold the intent of the Act, uphold the principle of competition that is healthy in our market, and keep costs low by rejecting USTelecom's petition.

Thank you.

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