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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 support broadband competition.

I currently use Sonic, a local San Francisco area provider. For \$50/month, I get unlimited, symmetric gigabit fiber internet. Compare this to my previous provider -- Comcast charged \$150/month for traditional cable, with 150mbps download, 30mbps upload, and a cap on usage.

Sonic is a huge step forward for customer choice. I love that there's competition in San Francisco now! In order to work effectively from my home, I need a good upload speed. Before Sonic, the *best* upload rate I could get was 30mbps, through any provider (AT&T or Comcast. That's it!). Now that I have Sonic available, I get a full 1000mbps upload -- over 30x faster, for 1/3 the price. In addition, Sonic is a supporter of net neutrality and are 100% customer focused. This is a MASSIVE improvement over those big telecom companies, and now that I have it, I would never give it up.

The thing is, Sonic was started by selling DSL over unbundled AT&T copper lines. They grew a customer base because people want choice and competition. From those modest beginnings, they grew into the company that's completely revolutionizing internet access in San Francisco. They're actually innovating, improving internet speeds, and getting fiber to the people. I've been watching Sonic roll out fiber all across the city over the past few years. What has Comcast or AT&T done in the same time? Stuck to decades old technology, raised fees, and added caps.

So, when AT&T asks the FCC to take away Sonic's and other small ISPs' access to these lines, what are they really asking for? They're asking for less competition. They're asking for customers to have less choice. They're asking the government to give them even more of a monopoly so that they can continue jacking up prices and adding fees instead of innovating. They're scared by Sonic, because Sonic is finally exposing them. San Francisco is realizing that AT&T and Comcast have been overcharging and under-delivering, because we didn't have any other choice but to pay. And instead of trying to actually compete with Sonic through lower prices and faster speeds, they're just lobbying the government to kill off the competition entirely.

Please, do not let them squash all competition. Big telecoms aren't innovating. Only small ISPs like Sonic will innovate, compete, and bring our internet into the 21st century.

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