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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,

Thanks to competitive telecommunication laws, Sonic.net has been able to build and connect tens of thousands of members on their fiber network. They need continued access to copper as a bridge to fiber so that they can get me and everyone else, connected to the fastest, most affordable internet available.

The competitive telecommunication laws provide more options of provider to consumer like me. With that, it empowers me to vote with my money should a company provide superior service and product.

Broadband is critical to my home so that I can work from home, entertain the kid, and learn a new skill. It empowers me and my family to grow, to enjoy life and to be more productive.

Please consider keeping the 1996 Telecommunications Act.

Thanks

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