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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,

Please do not change the current system where companies like Sonic provide their fiber service using the AT&T switches/central office.

I was an AT&T customer for many years and they provided crappy DSL service to me. They spent years fighting with the San Francisco to put ugly boxes on the sidewalk to make their DSL a little faster, but refused to run fiber to the homes (just a few hundred feet further). AT&T is run by their marketing department and only care about competing with Comcast. AT&T takes no pride in having a fast network that their customers can use as they please -- it's all about extracting maximum dollars from them for the minimum services.

I switched to Sonic to get improved DSL -- it was cheaper and faster than the DSL I had gotten from AT&T on the same lines!

Then Sonic took the next step and ran fiber lines through my neighborhood and I switched to their fiber service. It's been a great step forward. And AT&T is still resisting running fiber to the household.

Please do not allow AT&T to block others from using their central office switches -- these are a public utility and must remain available to others who can provide last mile service that is technically superior and aggressively priced.

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