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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,

Our family signed up with Sonic Internet in 2018. We live in San Francisco, CA, where internet service has been stuck in the dark ages for years. For the past 2 years, I saw Sonic Internet utility trucks around our neighborhood wiring up our neighborhood with Fiber using what I assume our utility poles. We decided to sign up for Sonic on the recommendation of a neighbor in our building. Sonic provides 1G fiber in our neighborhood for the same price as our previous, significantly slower service provided by Comcast.

I can't stress enough how drastic the difference has been. To illustrate my point, allow me to share some data with you as I regularly test out our internet speed across my devices.

With Comcast, I was seeing an average download speed of 35 Mbps using the wired Ethernet Cat5 wiring throughout our apartment. Upload was closer to 7 Mbps. Ping time was around 80 ms. This used to cost us \$60/month. We paid another \$200/month for TV service to support all of the TV's in our home.

With Sonic Fiber, we are currently paying \$65/month and I am seeing an average download speed of 970 Mbps, and upload of 950 Mbps (meaning it's asymmetric). Ping time is around 3 ms. Because this is such incredibly fast internet service, it made it possible for us to switch to DirectTV Now, which is TV over the internet. We ended up canceling our TV services with Comcast (again, about \$200/month) and now only pay \$38/month for the exact same set of channels and number of TV's.

To me, comparing our internet and TV before Sonic and after Sonic truly underscores the importance of the free market and making sure that last mile infrastructure can be made accessible to all players. For years I have traveled abroad to France, Japan, or South Korea, and I was shocked at how far behind our country was with respect to broadband speed. It was also deeply ironic that socialist countries had far more competition than us in the internet provider service.

Since switching to Sonic Fiber, I'm now bragging to acquaintances abroad that Silicon Valley has finally caught up! Furthermore, we are saving so much money now by not having to pay for

complicated TV packages.

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