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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,

Not even a year ago, my market was restricted to only a couple providers for high speed internet access. We were paying \$70/mo to get 200Mbps from Comcast, and it was considered one of the best options available. Their service was spotty and frequently dipped in performance or dropped out completely. When Sonic Fiber became available, we switched and now we are paying the same for a very reliable connection from a provider that seems to actually care about their customers and it's around 850Mbps instead. When I would complain to Comcast, they would say things like "we don't currently have any issues in your area" and if they sent a technician, the problem would be gone by the time they were able to test it on-site.

This kind of competition is critical to being able to video conference while working from home and stream multiple online videos in UHD. It also allows us as a country to remain competitive with other nations in Europe and Asia who get fast internet for >\$100.

Please do not allow AT&T or other broadband providers to stifle competition for their own advantage. Without competition, network speeds don't keep up with demand, and quality of service is not maintained at all.

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