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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 members of the FCC,

It has come to my attention that ATT / USTelecom maintain that "In the residential marketplace, competition will not be materially affected by forbearance from Section 251(c)(3) because there is no effectively no remaining UNE-based competition in that marketplace." My residence is Mountain View California, my ISP and phone service provider is Sonic.net, and Sonic.net relies on the UNE to serve its customers. I have friends and colleagues who use Sonic.net too, and the reason is that Sonic.net offers a better service and better customer relations, without extra baggage and at competitive or lower prices than ATT/USTelecom. I have been a customer of Sonic.net for about 10 years, and I am very happy with their product. Cutting Sonic.net from the UNE would make it impossible for Sonic.net to serve many of its current customers. Translation: it would remove any chance for competition. The bedrock of the capitalist system is that competition is essential for innovation as well as protection of the customers from monopolies. I urge you to deny the USTelecom request.

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