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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,

I am one of the consumers who chose a competitive provider, Sonic, and I will be materially affected by forbearance from Section 251 c 3. My carrier uses unbundled copper and inter-city fiber transport elements (UNEs) to compete in the residential marketplace. I work from home, and the price hikes that will result from the absence of broadband competition will have a stifling effect on my livelihood.

UNE services are and have been essential for Sonic to keep me connected. Broadband competition is a necessity, and must not be dismantled by shortsighted decisions.

I, and other subscribers to Sonic, are proof that the FCC needs to support competition among broadband providers. Sonic fits my needs where the other, larger firms cannot. is far more current me to consumers while we build our fiber networks, nor fund the construction of our fiber networks.

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