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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 USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

As a recently retired Electrical Engineering Professor (University of Hawaii (Manoa), University of California (Davis), Linkoping University (Sweden) and Ecole Polytechnique de Lausanne (Switzerland), affordable and reliable internet access was (and continues to be) critical to my daily professional and personal life. Sonic (a competitive carrier) provides this as well as my telephone service. Having spent many years in areas for which competitive service is unavailable (e.g., Hawaii) I am painfully aware of the impact of a lack of competition. These include abysmal service and exploitative pricing.

Please support competition, and preserve competitive internet and phone service.

Sincerely,

Todd Reed