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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,

I am a residential consumer who very much appreciates my competitive independent internet provider. I have been subscribed to their services for the past 22 years and could not be happier with the services that they provide for my family and myself. It would be truly tragic to lose this competitive provider as they offer the best pricing and customer support team that cannot be matched by the big corporate telecom companies.

As a residential consumer I would very much be materially affected as my carrier Sonic.net uses unbundled copper and inter-city fiber transport elements (UNEs) to compete in the residential marketplace.

We have a fiber optic connection today but were previously connected with competitive DSL which we use for our landline telephone service all thanks to Sonic.net our competitive provider.

So please do not dismantle key components of the 1996 Telecommunications Act that work to protect competitive providers and residential users.

Thank you

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