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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 consumer and a small business owner who supports broadband competition. The provider I use is local and is much easier to communicate with when I have a problem. The big companies are so big they are not in the area and do not respond very quickly nor efficiently. My company, Sonic, is professional and answers all my questions and concerns efficiently.

We live in a society in which connection and communication is vital: both incoming and outgoing. I find the service I have now makes that whole process easier. I have had both ATT and Comcast in the past. The service was slower and more expensive and the customer service was almost a joke.

I want more competition in the market place which will better serve the people in our community.

Please consider us when you make your decision.

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