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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 choose Sonic.net because of excellent service from a local company. Broadband is a key tool for my small business where I employ 10 people. Local broadband needs to be empowered.

Putting legislation in places that hinders competition hurts small business and stifles consumer choice. Thanks for listening!

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