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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,

Broadband competition has driven the massive speed increases and drops in cost to my network. Right now I am able to use Sonic fiber for \$50 a month for a gigabit of speed up and down. The major carriers won't come close to that, because they are too inefficient and have no incentive to. When I had Comcast I got horrendous customer support and a spotty connection that was throttled and cheated with "speed boost" to pretend it gave higher speeds than it could actually sustain. Broadband is our lifeline to the world. It is our phone, home security, internet, entertainment, work lifeline. I could not live without it. And if you don't allow competition, the carriers know that and will abuse me.

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