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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 live in San Francisco. For a long time I had only two choices for broadband: AT&T DSL or Comcast/Xfinity cable. They are both expensive and not very customer-centric.

However, I learned that my area is served by an alternative local carrier that utilizes a UNE, Sonic. The fact that I pay money and get my DSL from Sonic rather than AT&T proves that the statement from US Telecom that 'there is effectively no UNE-based comparison in the marketplace' is false.

Sonic's offering is cheaper, their customer service is better, and they are more responsive than the big boys. It is only through competition that the market offerings are improved. At least, that is what I have been told. Please allow the competition in the broadband marketplace to continue by denying the petition to change the implementation of the 1996 Telecommunications Act. Please continue requiring access to the UNE by the independent carriers that I and many others really on.

Thank you.

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