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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,

We have chosen our local ISP, Sonic, because we were extremely dissatisfied with the service provided by Comcast, our only other reasonable choice. Comcast's service was slow, expensive, and customer service was awful. Comcast had us over the barrel because until Sonic came along, they had no competition to speak of (DSL over phone wires was even worse as they offered very limited bandwidth in our area).

We both work from home. Having high-speed, reliable, and reasonably priced internet is very important for us. Until competition arrived, Comcast treated us like slaves. Local competition has been very good for consumers like me. Indeed there are millions like me who have benefited from local competition. It would be a shame to have that competition go away.

Competition helps consumers. It is better for the country. And ultimately, it is better for big companies like Comcast and AT&T because it forces them to innovate. We hope that you will not pass any measures that will remove local competition from any market in the US.

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