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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,

Please please preserve competition in the marketplace. We need to be able to choose among providers for the sake of quality service, a quality product and for the sake of keeping prices affordable. I originally had a DSL provider, but now I have fiber optic: it is faster and better AND, my service provider, Sonic, has amazing, personal service. I also have telephone service through them. I could not conduct my business without broadband: it is critical.

Thank you,

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