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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 have recently switched from AT & T to Sonic as a communication provider. I had hoped to get a better and quicker communication from AT & T by the optical fiber system in my area for both Internet and TV in San Francisco as I had been used to it in Japan. Although AT&T provided Uverse for Internet, it was very slow to my surprise. It seemed to me that their services were outdated.

After a study of other options, I have chosen Sonic and their services have been better, even though they use AT & T connection. Without competitors like Sonic, AT & T would sit comfortably without improving their services.

As a retiree, constant price hikes for basic communication systems have affected my standard of living. It is my wish that the FCC would allow competitive providers, so that the price hikes would be alleviated.

Sincerely,

Yoshiko Kobayashi