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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 am a subscriber to Sonic internet and phone service, a small independent company in Northern California that provides competitively priced telephone and internet service as an excellent alternative to the large telecom and cable companies. I was an AT&T customer for many years but was frustrated by their high prices, slow service, and slow upgrades to their network. I am a physician-scientist doing biomedical research and need high speed reliable internet access to be able to access important patient care and research databases from home and work.

I switched to Sonic because they were offering gigabit fiber internet access and telephone service. As a result I now have more reliable internet access, 10X faster speed, and pay less money compared to our service with AT&T. We even got to keep our same telephone number.

I strongly urge you to maintain equal access for companies like Sonic to the infrastructure needed to provide ongoing competition in this business. Without it consumers will be harmed and the large companies will have no incentive to improve their services and technology.

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