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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 USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

I am a residential consumer of Sonic.net services. I was previously with AT&T and experienced continued frustration and the constant price increases and sub-standard service. My connection speed was ridiculously slow, and I couldn't get AT&T to come out and look at it.

Fortunately, we have other broadband options locally. I chose to move to Sonic.net which included both broadband and phone service for much less than AT&T. AT&T cut off my service early (an error on their part, but they chose not to fix it), so I was scrambling to get up and running with my new provider.

Local providers like Sonic provide a more personal service. I appreciate the time they spend on a call and will ensure that I am satisfied with the result. A technician was sent out, and I now have better service and speed than ever.

My household depends on our local broadband provider as we often work from home and could not do that without our broadband service.

Please keep local companies relevant and don't limit consumer choices.

Thank you,

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