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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,

My local provider, Sonic.net, is great. They provide my internet and (landline) home phone service.. Their offices are right in my neighborhood and in if I need an item, I can drive over and get it. They are helpful people, not just voices somewhere in the universe.

I am proud to have a local competitive provider of. Sonic provides my landline fax machine and telephone service also. I prefer to use a telephone at home and for phone messages rather than constantly carry a cellphone. I chose to get cellphone service via AAA or AARP as they have very low rates and no contract service for members like me who are seniors.

Between home phone, cell phone, internet and television service, these costs add up, especially for seniors on fixed income, forcing some to eliminate one or more of these. Price hikes would be an excessive burden for many, including me.

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