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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,

My retired parents live in an AT&T service area and were customers of AT&T's local telephone and DSL service for years. Every year as their promotional rate ended and AT&T's regular high rates kicked in, they had to call AT&T to request the latest available promotion to reduce their rate -- this process took several calls and long hold times, causing them much stress and often times did not save them much. When I discovered that Sonic would sell them local telephone and DSL service with a regular rate that was on par with the AT&T promotional rate, they immediately switched and were relieved to not have to go through the annual hassle of calling to request the latest promotion.

If the USTelecom petition to allow incumbent providers to escape their obligations under Section 251 of the Communications Act is passed, then my parents and others in their retirement community will be forced to go back to AT&T as the only option in their area and dealing with the high AT&T rates on retired income.

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