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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'm a residential broadband customer. I have looked at the Big Telecom providers for my ISP service, but basically pricing is too high for the level of service I require. The service I have with Sonic utilizes the twisted copper lines and I serves my needs well. I can get broad service at a reasonable price and keep my landline phone service, which my wife wants in case of an emergency.

Don't allow the big telecoms get a monopoly on the market. ATT hikes price constantly, which is why I shopped for a new ISP and telephone provider. If I get boxed in politicians softening the 1996 Communication Act, I will not be a happy personal since I be given an even more limited and expense selection.

In short, we need more broadband competition, not less. There is no reason to limit my selection for ISP to the big telecoms. Big advancements in technology have come from scrappy small competitors, not big establishments. Don't decrease my ISP selection options.

Sincerely,

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