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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,

We have DSL internet service and local telephone service through Sonic.net, a local competitive provider.

We switched to Sonic following a number of bad to extremely bad customer services problems with our previous provider, AT&T. The final one required about 6 hours on the phone trying to get a resolution from AT&T. Sonic has given good service and we will simply never go back to AT&T.

AT&T constructed the "late mile" copper wire to our home in about 1950 as a regulated monopoly and have been very amply compensated for the last 68 years. Despite major innovations in telecommunications, the "last mile" portion of the lines remains a simply classic natural monopoly, despite free-market theology denying this and despite dishonest arguments from rent-seeking companies like AT&T . The "last mile" needs to remain a competently regulated monopoly, open to Sonic and similar competitors to AT&T. I no more want AT&T to have unregulated control over the last mile, than I would want AT&T to control the single driveway to my house.

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