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I am hard of hearing and wish to comment on Notice of Proposed Rulemaking. Docket No. 2006-23999.

I find flying alone extremely frustrating and difficult because I often cannot hear the announcements, either at the gate or in the airplane.

I have tried asking others to tell me what was said. But then I may not understand their reply. Or they may not remember to tell me, such as when I ask airplane employees to let me know when and if something important is announced.

It would be most helpful if there were captions on tvs or other audiovisual displays, which were enabled at all times when they are in operation at the airport.

Information given over the public address systems should be available in visual form. When I am with my husband, who has normal hearing, I find that even

he often doesn't understand what has been said over the public address system.

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