

ACT III

After many attempts to find out what happened from airport personnel, she discovers that she is in Detroit. The pilot re-routed the plane because of bad weather. The woman spends the night in the airport.

FADE OUT

The woman looks out on the rain swept airport runways in Detroit. A distant clap of thunder crashes and lightning shatters the darkness. In the sudden hush following the thunder, she hears the enemy breathing down her neck. This enemy is familiar to her. Its name is **ISOLATION** due to hearing loss. It sits there waiting to trip her up yet again...in the Twilight Zone.

Here's Your Chance!

Air travel is still not accessible to people with hearing loss. The Department of Transportation (DOT) is currently seeking comments to help make air travel more accessible. Your comments can be sent electronically through the Dockets Management System pages of the DOT website:

<http://dms.dot.gov/submit/>

The title is “Accommodations for individuals who are deaf, hard of hearing or deaf-blind.”

Accommodations Aboard the Aircraft

I want the DOT to know that I **need** to hear what is being said over the public address system. This means providing information in a **clear, understandable visual format**. Getting information into a visual format can be accomplished in any number of ways (crawls, video monitor, or notes on a whiteboard).

Already I can feel the isolation retreating as I get a chance to say what's on my mind. **Please join me by sending your comments to the DOT.**

We need to speak up if we have trouble traveling.