

Hello there.

Re: 2009 Access Services Review

Audio Description is a brilliant service that has completely revolutionised my enjoyment of television. It's a narrative that describes the actions, body language, facial expressions or scenery - all things that I would otherwise miss.

I understand that the Ofcom Access Services Review includes three options for the future of audio description. I am requesting that Ofcom choose Option Two and increase audio description to 20 percent across all channels.

I get a lot of enjoyment from television programmes, especially since audio description was brought in, because of the vast amount of additional information given which paints a much better picture of what is going on in non-dialogue parts of the programme. My special interests are Soaps, drama of different types and sport. An increase of 10 percent overall would be very beneficial to myself and my wife in view of the fact that we are both totally blind. You can see, therefore, the great advantage to us if visual things can be described to us and it also means that, if present, members of my family do not have to spoil their enjoyment by having to tell me what is happening.

I would also like to take this opportunity to congratulate Sky Television for their voluntary decision to increase audio description to 20 percent; absolutely marvellous.

Please take onboard my request for an increase of audio description to 20 percent and I thank you for taking the trouble to read this email.