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AMN John Therriault

This is in response to a
letter I received today about
my complaint against
Comm Ed

I did not know anything
about settlement discussions
until today Oct 22, 10
& the 14 day response time.
A rep from Comm Ed called
today Oct 22 & told me.

As of today the noise is
still there & constant
some night louder than
others

Have enclosed an article
from the TRIS dated 10-12-10
Saying constant noise could
& did cause heart attacks
Hope you can use this in
my favor.

This is constant noise
7 days a week - & constant
Not intermittent like
air plane noise
Hope this helps me

John

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SPOTLIGHT LIFE IN FLIGHT PATH

Noise could be heart-stopping

Living with airplanes thundering over your head could put your heart at risk, according to a Swiss study.

After studying 4.6 million adults in Switzerland, researchers found that dying from a heart attack was more common among people with increased exposure to aircraft noise.

"The effect was especially evident for people who were exposed to really high levels of noise, and was dependent on how long those people had lived in the noisy place," said researcher Dr. Matthias Egger of the University of Bern.

Noise has been linked previously to negative health effects. But this study from

the journal *Epidemiology*, could help determine whether sound is exerting the effect or if it is something else tagging along with the noise, such as air pollution.

Egger and his colleagues identified 15,532 heart attack deaths among 4.6 million Swiss residents from late 2000 to the end of 2005 using information from an ongoing Swiss mortality study.

People exposed to a daily average of at least 60 decibels of noise had a 30 percent greater risk of dying from a heart attack compared with those exposed to less than 45 decibels, according to the report.

—Reuters

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